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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Rents Outcry

THE public outcry against the recommendations of the Rents Committee has reached anticipated proportions. It has also followed expected lines. The chief arguments are that the recommendations offer consideration only to the landlords; that if they are implemented severe hardship will be suffered by tenants and that the community's economic stability will be undermined. It is a dark and frightening picture which the opponents of the Report succeed in drawing, but it is not one that will be unanimously accepted. Much depends on to what extent Government is prepared to be influenced by the protests raised. Only the most biased will deny that the Committee's report contains some sound reasoning, or that it is an honest effort to deal with a complex problem. It is not suggested that because of this all the recommendations must be accepted and made effective. The path is still open for a reasonable compromise and it is to this which Government could fairly direct attention.

THE principle that the interests of the majority must not be sacrificed to those of the minority remains good, yet both sections have legitimate claims which, as far as possible, have to be respected. An objective approach to the question makes it difficult to deny that landlords whose premises are controlled possess a fair claim to increased standard rentals. Assuming this to be acceptable, the all-important question is the amount which an approved increase should take. The suggested 50 per cent may well be deemed too much. It would be, undoubtedly, a substantial burden on the "white collar class" whose incomes fall within the middle and below middle categories. Government could, with fairness to all parties, approve of an increase of 25 to 30 per cent, with the proviso that the situation be reviewed a year later.

IT is indisputable that the economic welfare of the community as a whole must be kept constantly in mind and that everything must be done to cushion any adverse effects which events, and circumstances may impose on the Colony's economic stability. Nevertheless, it is very easy to exaggerate the effect of higher rentals on the daily lives of the people. This is particularly so in the case of sub-tenants, whose interests the Committee has gone to considerable lengths to safeguard. It is to be observed, for example, that so far as the Committee is concerned, it is prerequisite for an increase in rents that an official department be established and charged with the sole duty of seeing that occupants of domestic premises are not exploited either by landlords or principal tenants under the proposed revisions of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance; further that sub-tenants should not have to bear any of the increased rentals. The point appears to have been lost by the critics of the Report, yet it is one of prime importance, and has to be recognised as a fundamental recommendation. The Committee's proposals can bear examination by Government, and some certainly lend themselves to modification.

Buenos Aires Bomb Outrages: 2 Doctors Confess

PROMINENT SOCIALITES ARRESTED

Buenos Aires, May 4.

Two young Argentine doctors have confessed to terrorist activities and said they placed three of the score of bombs which have shaken Buenos Aires in the last few weeks, police said here today.

The doctors, Jorge Firmat Lamas and Francisco Juan Maria Elizalde, both 30, were arrested in connection with an attempt to put a bomb in the car of the Argentine Foreign Minister Senor Jeronimo Remorino last Saturday.

Police said they confessed that they placed the bomb which exploded at a railway station minutes after President Juan Peron returned from a trip to Chile on March 2.

They were also said to have admitted placing a bomb at the Army Club on April 25 and one which exploded near Congress while President Peron was delivering his State of the Nation speech on May Day.

Police said that the two men who had actually tried to place the bomb in Senor Remorino's car were Vicente Centurion, 32-year-old manufacturer and a member of the Conservative Party and Patricio Mario Cullen, 23, of the Democratic Party. The car they used belonged to Maria Tomkinson de Christensen, 23-year-old society woman, the police said. Fifteen sticks of gelignite were found inside it.

Police said the arrest of these two men put them on the track of the "terrorist" movement.

'Infuriated' By Gen.'s Air Sorties

Washington, May 4.

Several top Air Force generals, many of them with extensive combat records, said today that they were infuriated about Lt. Gen. Glenn O. Barnes' combat sorties against the Communists in Korea.

Officially the Air Force professed to take a detached view. A Headquarters spokesman said there was no more concern over General Barnes than over any other American combat pilot. Privately, however, it was learned that some top Air Force officials were angry because their three-star colleague, in possession of vital information as commander of the Fifth Air Force, had exposed himself to danger.

There is no general regulation forbidding combat command generals from flying against the enemy, but one general said, "It is frowned on unless it makes sense."

Air Force Headquarters claimed it did not know, until the news broke in Seoul yesterday, that the 48-year-old Barnes had been piloting his Sabre jet fighter in combat and taunting the Reds by proclaiming his identity over the radio.

The feeling here was that General Barnes did not have to fly as a morale booster because the spirit of his command was very good, that he was past the age of high alertness required to handle the speedy Sabres most effectively, and that to identify himself as a commanding general was merely to invite more trouble in the event that he should be captured. United Press.

21-Year-Old Theft Admitted

Liverpool, May 4.

John Nichol Martin, a 21-year-old mechanic of no fixed abode, appeared in a Liverpool Court today charged with the theft of 21 years ago of a saw and other goods valued at £10.6. The Prosecutor said Martin was arrested for the offence in 1932, but failed to surrender to his bail. On April 24, this year, Martin surrendered to the Manchester Police. Martin who pleaded guilty today was given an absolute discharge. —Reuter.

According to the police, the two doctors were shadowing their companions when the unsuccessful attempt against Senor Remorino was made. They fled in their own car, throwing out two unexploded bombs which were later found in a building in the course of construction, the police said. They were later arrested at their homes.

A police spokesman expressed the view that no political party as such was involved in the outrages, but that the authorities were facing a well-organized, pyramidal organisation with the central command of the top not known to the plotters lower down whose role was that of action.

The police added that a number of Argentine "ligaristas" were involved in the conspiracy. The latest police action was the seizure of a quantity of explosives, arms and pamphlets, he said. —Reuter.

No Longer Require Loan Of Planes

London, May 4.

The French Government has in effect withdrawn its request to Britain for urgent supply of transport aircraft to help them the Communist advance in Laos.

According to this source transport aircraft from Britain have been unnecessary at present because an adequate number of machines for the present emergency was promised by the United States Government over the weekend.

France, it is authoritatively understood, made a request to Britain for the loan of a number of transport aircraft through the British Embassy in Paris ten days ago.

Last week Britain indicated that it would be difficult to meet the request because of the existing strain placed on British resources by the campaigns in Malaya and Korea.

When, during the weekend, the United States Government indicated that it could meet present French needs in full for air transports the French authorities told Britain not to put further strain on British resources.

The Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, referring in the House of Commons today to the Communist invasion of the French Indo-China state of Laos, said: "We are watching these events but our resources are limited and our obligations are very widespread." —Reuter.



Hongkong At British Industries Fair

COMET DISASTER VICTIMS TO BE BURIED TODAY

Calcutta, May 4.

Victims of Saturday's Comet crash in which 43 people perished will be buried here tomorrow—some of them in coffins bearing no names because they cannot be identified.

British Overseas Airways Corporation announced it was arranging the funeral of all except those whose relatives wished to make private arrangements. Christians are to be buried at Tollygunge Cemetery, South Calcutta.

Dulles' Warning To Congress

Washington, May 4. Mr John Foster Dulles, the United States Secretary of State, warned the Congress today that if the present Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act were allowed to lapse, it would be interpreted abroad as an abandonment by the United States of its present trade policies.

He appeared before a House Committee to oppose new high tariff legislation which the Committee was studying. The House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee was studying the Simpson Bill to extend the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act for one year. The Bill, sponsored by Mr R. M. Simpson (Republican, Pennsylvania) is designed to limit President Eisenhower's powers to negotiate.

"It would jolt very severely the economies and the political programmes of some of the other countries," Mr Dulles declared. "Most of those governments are extremely nervous about the future course of our foreign economic policies."

Mr Dulles said that if the Trade Agreements Act were not continued, many foreign governments would have to think in terms of "appeasement or neutralism" in the East-West struggle. He was asked if he were opposed to the Simpson Bill. He replied: "I am against the Simpson Bill at this time, but whether I will be against it a year from now—I do not know." —Reuter.

Commons Rejects Proposal

London, May 4. The House of Commons, by 222 votes to 107 tonight rejected a Labour Opposition proposal that African objections to the Federation of Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland in Central Africa should be heard by a Select (Parliamentary) Committee. —Reuter.

This picture illustrates the interest which buyers have been showing in Hongkong products at the British Industries Fair. The Hongkong stand has been extremely busy since the opening of the Fair. The attractiveness of the display can be gauged by the above photograph. —London Express picture. (More pictures on the back page)

Seretse Khama's Successor

His Sister Is Nominated

Serowe, May 4.

Seretse Khama's sister Uretele was one of two people nominated at a Bamangwato Kgotla (tribal meeting) here today to succeed him as tribal chief.

The other nominated for the chieftainship in place of Seretse was a woman, Miss Ruth Williams. She is now living near London with his wife and two children.

Seretse Khama was banished by the British Colonial Office after his marriage in 1950 to London to an English girl, Miss Ruth Williams. He is now living near London with his wife and two children.

Talks on naming a new chief began last year, but were adjourned, as many members of the tribe refused to name a chief while Seretse Khama is alive.

The district Commissioner and Resident Native Authority Mr Gordon Batho, presided at the Kgatla.

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He told tribesmen it was useless to nominate Seretse or his children to be chief and foolish to believe those who said Seretse would return.

Serogholo, senior uncle to Seretse Khama, nominated Rasebobi as chief and was supported by three other royal uncles.

Another speaker nominated Uretele. Her appointment to the chieftainship would enable Seretse to return to the Bamangwato Reserve, he said.

Uretele, a half sister of Seretse Khama, is a childless widow in her fifties.

Seretse Khama, banished former chief of the Bamangwato tribe, said at his home in Surrey tonight: "As long as the wish of the people is truly observed I am content."

He said he could not comment on his sister's nomination until he knew what happened at the Kgatla and who nominated her. —Reuter.

"MISS UNIVERSE" MARRIES

Romance With Wealthy Young Filipino

Tokyo, May 5.

The "Miss Universe" of 1952, Finnish beauty Armi Kuusela, was married to 25-year-old Virgilio Hilario, a wealthy Filipino, here on Monday.

The marriage took place in Tokyo's St Ignatius Catholic Church and was a closely guarded secret with only two witnesses present—the bride's sister Mrs Irma Kyromies as the matron of honour and Robert Villanueva, vice-President of the Chronicle publications and President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce International.

Father Bruno Bitter performed the ceremony which climaxed a one-month whirlwind romance which started in the Philippine pine city of Baguio.

Congressman Eulogio Rodriguez Junior of Baguio, in which province Hilario has extensive real estate holdings, and Mrs Sergio Osmena, wife of the former Philippine President, acted as sponsors in absentia.

Very few in the St Ignatius church noticed that the 1952 Miss Universe was being married.

During the ceremony, the bride wore a blue nylon lace gown and had a small bouquet of roses.

US HONEYMOON

According to Mr Villanueva, Miss Kuusela is to continue her trip on Wednesday to Honolulu while the bridegroom is scheduled to return to Manila this week. He will then fly to Honolulu and together they will spend their honeymoon in the United States. They plan to return to Manila, where they will make their home in the old Hilario family residence in Manila's residential district of Ermita.

Mr Villanueva reported Armi as extremely happy over prospects of making her home in Manila. He quoted her as saying, "I love the Philippines, and I have many friends there. I had never imagined I should marry a Filipino, but you can tell the people in Manila how crazy I am about Virgilio."

Mr Villanueva said the couple had originally decided to get married on Armi's 19th birthday on August 20, and to that end Hilario had given Armi last May 1 a three-karat diamond ring. He said the couple unexpectedly changed their minds—early—yesterday morning.

A Helsinki dispatch reported that the parents of Miss Armi Kuusela were "completely astonished" today after learning from United Press about the marriage of their daughter to a Filipino in Tokyo.

Armi's mother who lives in Muenchen, where her husband is a shopkeeper, answered the phone and said that she was completely astonished at the news and that she "wondered about the haste."

Virgilio is the youngest son of the late Dr and Mrs Jose M. Hilario of Manila and San Mateo.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES

Paris, May 4.

Fire raged today in a dump of 20,000 tons of old rubber tires at Colombes, a northwest suburb of Paris, halting trains on a nearby main line.

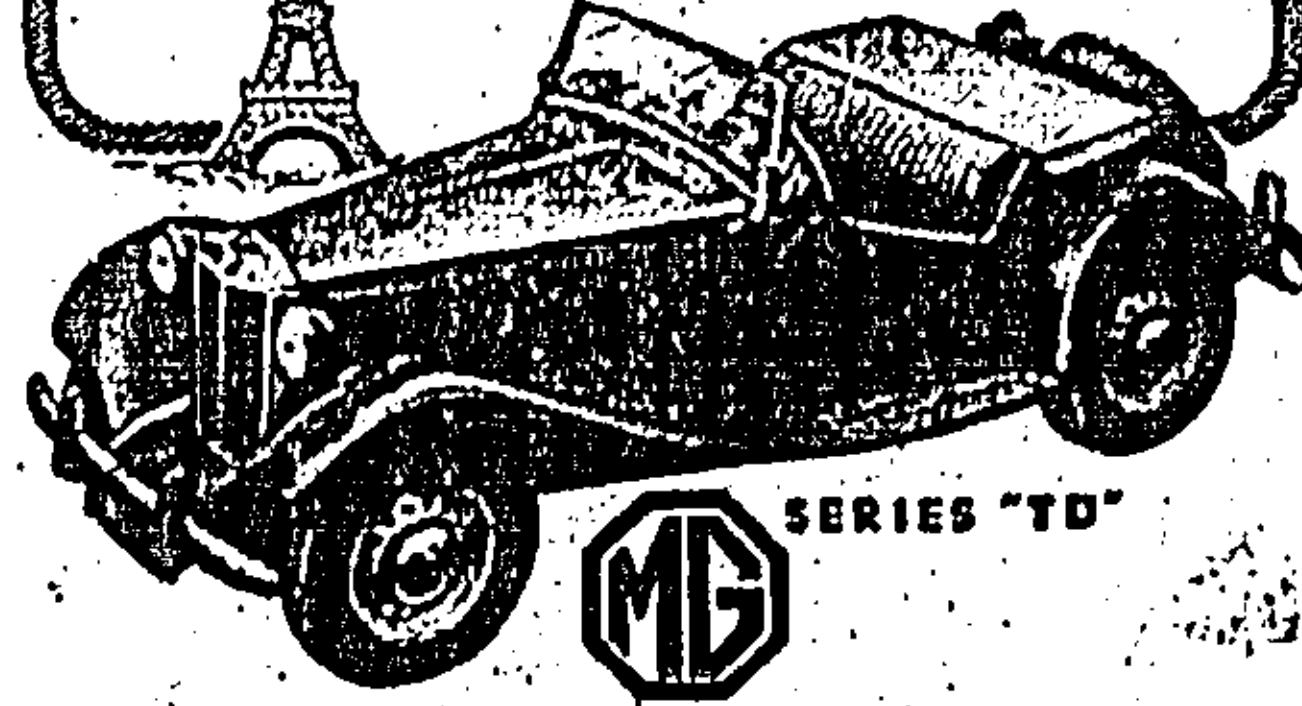
Three hundred Paris policemen cordoned off the danger zone while firemen battled flames leaping over 90 feet in the air, advancing along a 600 feet front, darkening the sky with thick black smoke.

The tyre dump covers an area of 300,000 square feet. —Reuter.

A Passes 500,000 lire razed four blocks in Cebu City early today rendering more than 4,000 homeless and destroying about 400 houses of light material.

Two children were reported missing. The police were this morning investigating a shampoo factory owned by a Chinese establishment this fire was believed to have started. —Reuter.

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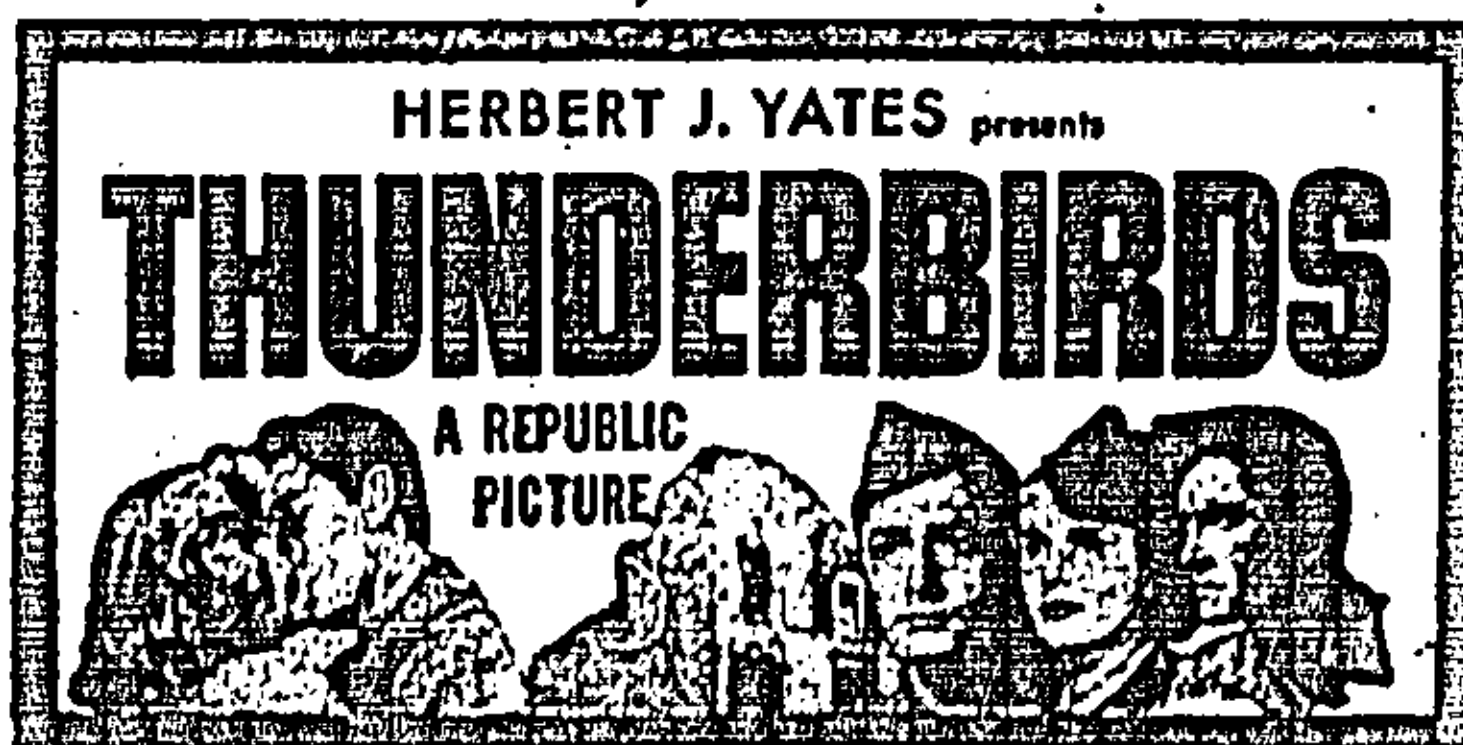
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Commissioner Herbert Lord of the Salvation Army, followed by Mr. George Blake, British Vice-Consul at Seoul, two of the released men from North Korea, smile excitedly as they see relatives waiting to greet them on their arrival at Abingdon, England.—Express Photo.

Budapest Claims Successful First Five-Year Plan

Budapest, May 4.

Hungary will complete its first Five-Year Plan by the end of 1954, but a Government announcement revealed that blueprints of the second Plan will be ready much sooner.

The regime used the opportunity of parliamentary elections, scheduled for May 17, to disclose some details about this second plan. The appeal to voters to support the Government's candidates contained some reference and figures concerning both the first and second plans.

The statement that some targets of the first Five-Year Plan were actually reached in three years is interesting, but not surprising.

The regime planned, for instance, to invest 35,000,000,000 forints (about US\$3,500,000,000) in the five years from 1949 through 1954, but the annual budgets, usually approved by Parliament in December, re-

vealed that, in fact, 40,000,000,000 (US\$3,300,000,000) were invested during the first three years of this period.

Other figures concerning production have not been made public so far.

Although far from complete, the figures concern the most important industries, on which practically all others depend.

They contend that the five-year target of the coal, steel and electric power industries had been reached in three years.

Here are the details:

STEEL OUTPUT
Steel—800,000 tons to be raised to 1,500,000 tons by the end of 1954. Fulfilled in 1952.

Coal—Against the 1949 output of 11,800,000 tons, 18,000,000 tons to be produced by the end of the five-year period. Actually, in 1952 Hungarian mines produced 18,800,000 tons of coal.

Electric power—2,200,000,000 kilowatts to be raised to 4,200,000,000 kilowatts. This goal was also reached in three years.

The most interesting thing about the coal and steel figures is that the everyday reader of Hungarian papers was justified in believing that these two industries always lagged behind their plans.

The fact that both industries are now reported to have fulfilled their five-year plan in three years seems to indicate that there is nothing basically wrong.—United Press.

RAILWAYS BEAT AIRLINES

London, May 4.

Early trust from Southern Europe is not likely to be slow to this country this year, as in the past.

In the first few years after the war charter companies did a lot of work on the "fruit run" from Italy and the South of France. But better rail facilities on the Continent have caused this air traffic to fade out, say the charter brokers.

Off to Africa—with a bicycle—25-year-old Miss Valerie Wild, of Athenley Road, Nunhead, who is to supervise a chain of small missionary schools in Nyasaland.

Miss Wild, a teacher at St John's School, Walworth, appeared through the parish magazine of St Silas's, Nunhead, of which she is a member—for a secondhand bicycle. Now she has one.

"It will have to stand a lot of wear and tear, for the roads are very rough," she said. Her school will be spread over an area of 40 miles.

She will do a tour of 2½ years, supervising native teachers. Miss Wild has always wanted to be a missionary, but had to wait until she was 25 before getting an appointment.

AUSTRALIA TO ESTABLISH BASE IN ANTARCTIC

Sydney, May 4.

The Australian flag will fly from a permanent station on Antarctica by January 1954.

Australia's External Affairs Minister, Mr. Richard Casey, announced that a group of nine scientists would leave Melbourne next December to set up Australia's first full-time outpost on the frozen wastes surrounding the South Pole.

The group to form the expedition will be composed of veterans from Heard and Macquarie Islands—two sub-Antarctic sentinels established by Australia since World War II.

In the light of modern science and the importance of strategic materials, Antarctica has now taken on a vital aspect. Through exploitation of her Antarctic area Australia could:

1.—Eventually tap the region's coal reserves—estimated as second only to those of North America. Traces of copper, iron, silver, gold, lead and uranium have been discovered.

2.—Explore the claims of radio scientists that Antarctic research could advance world-wide radio communications.

AIR BASE

3.—Gather weather information to enable the forecasting of weather changes months ahead for countries thousands of miles away.

4.—Develop the territory's food resources—from whales, fish, seals, birds and plankton.

5.—Establish an air base which would bring Australia considerably closer to South Africa and in time create an air link between South Africa and South America.

Australia has kept up her interest in the Antarctic in recent years by sending official observers with the 1949 and 1952 French expeditions to Adelle Land—a small sliver of territory inside Australia's giant portion.

An Australian observer also accompanied the joint post-war Norwegian-British-Swedish expedition to Queen Maud Land.

BIG TASK

Australia's first permanent Antarctic station will probably go up in that part of its Antarctic territory south-west of Western Australia. But the exact location still remains to be determined.

During the first year, the small initial party will erect living quarters, radio and meteorological huts and other buildings which will form the "settlement."

One of the first big tasks will also be to identify all landmarks within 300 miles of the base.

A larger scientific detachment will, according to present plans, follow in the second year with more elaborate equipment.

In his outline of the expedition's aims and purpose, Mr. Casey said:

"For us to neglect the Antarctic could be as serious as if our forefathers had confined themselves to a small strip of coastal settlement in Australia and left it to others to develop the resources of the rest of our Continent."—United Press.

Pakistan Cotton Exports

Karachi, May 4.

According to a survey by the Ministry of Commerce, Pakistan exports of cotton to countries, excluding India, nearly reached the pre-war level of 12,000,000 bales.

At present, United Kingdom purchases of Pakistan cotton amounted to 29,000 bales but the Ministry of Commerce suggests that the United Kingdom should be approached with a view to increasing purchases of Pakistan cotton.—France-Press.

SUCCESSFUL BID FROM FRANCE

Paris, May 4.

A tender for electrical equipment for the power station of Ambukao (Philippines) was awarded to the French company, "Neyric," despite strong competition from British, Italian, German, American and Japanese firms.

The French company will deliver three hydraulic turbines and three regulators as well as all necessary accessories and spare parts.—Reuters.

Queen's Gift To Hamburg

London, May 4.

Four Royal swans, two of each sex, will fly from London to Hamburg next Saturday in a Mickers Viscount turbo-prop aircraft and accompanied by Mr. Derrick Park, the Queen's Swankeeper.

The Queen has given the swans to Hamburg to mark the City's horticultural exhibition. In Britain they are Royal birds and enjoy special protection.—Reuters.

Returned To Free Enterprise

Copper Market In London To Reopen

London, May 4.

Trading in copper, a vital industrial metal, will be restored to free enterprise on August 5, the Government announced today.

Copper has been imported into Britain and distributed by the Government ever since the last war began.

The London copper market, closed in 1939, will reopen on August 5.

The bulk of Britain's copper comes from the Rhodesian mines and most of the rest from Canadian producers. The Ministry of Materials buys it under long-term contracts.

Sir Arthur Salter, Minister of Materials, after telling the House of Commons a paper would be decontrolled, said:

"The necessary notice is being given today to the Commonwealth producers that as from August 5 the private import and sale of copper will be permitted and the Copper Distribution Order revoked."

"The present occasion is an appropriate one for me to acknowledge the co-operation of Commonwealth producers who had supplied Britain throughout the long period of public trading and will, I am sure, continue to do so under the new arrangements."

Decontrolled copper this August or thereabouts had been widely expected in the trade. In preparation for the move, the Ministry of Materials late last month cut the ceiling price to British consumers by £27 to £253 per long ton.

Copper is the "biggest" of the Big Four "non-ferrous metals." (Tin, lead and zinc are the others.) Its decontrol will bring the London metal exchange back into full operation. Tin was decontrolled in 1949, lead and zinc last year.—Reuters.

Mrs. Gandhi To Visit Moscow

London, May 4.

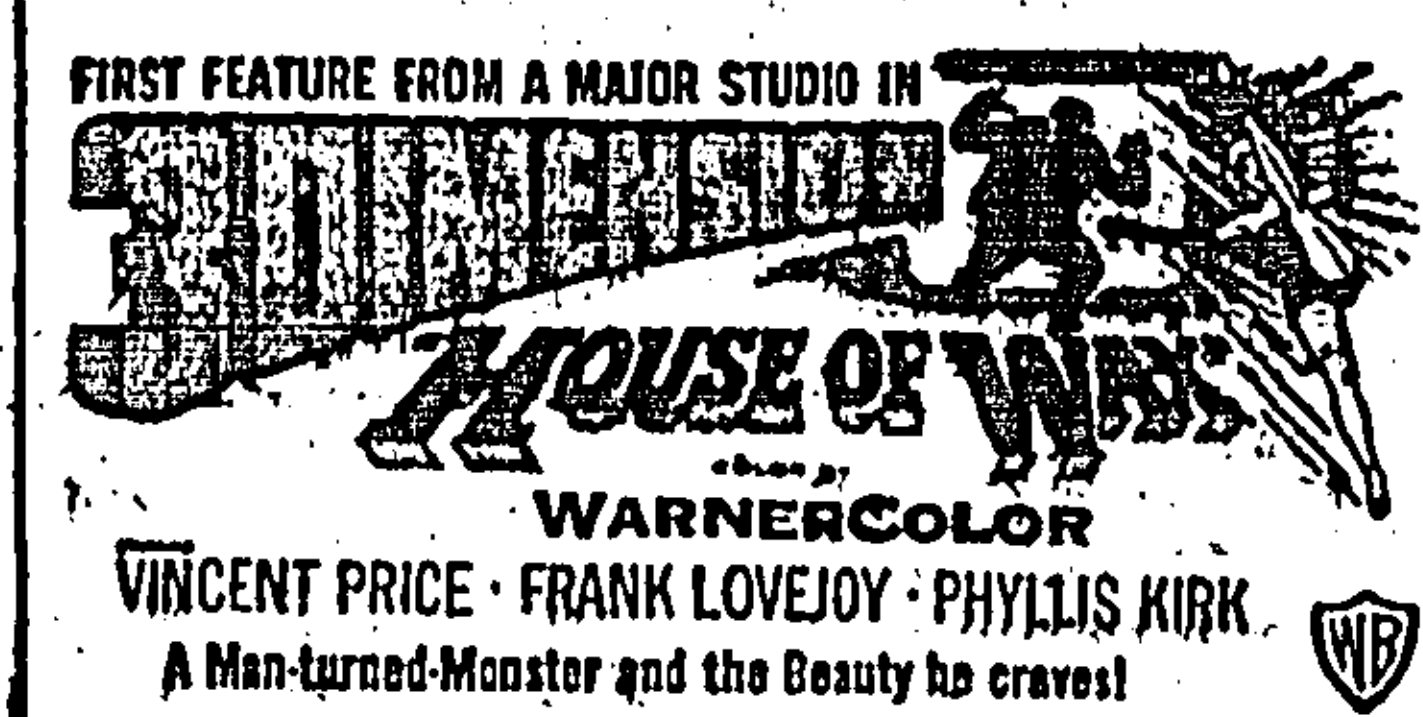
Mrs. Indira Gandhi, daughter of the Indian Prime Minister, is to visit Moscow at the invitation of the Indian Ambassador, Mr. K. P. S. Menon.

Mrs. Gandhi, who arrived in Britain yesterday, will go to Russia after Queen Elizabeth's Coronation on June 2. She will in the meantime make a brief visit to Switzerland where her two sons are at school.

Her father, Mr. Nehru, will also be in London for the Coronation and the subsequent Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference.—Reuters.

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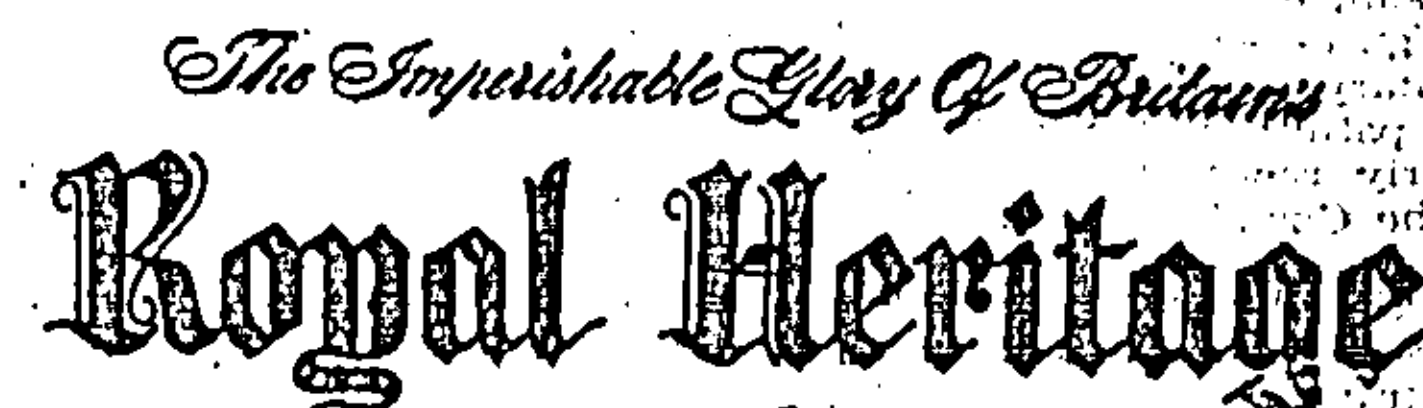
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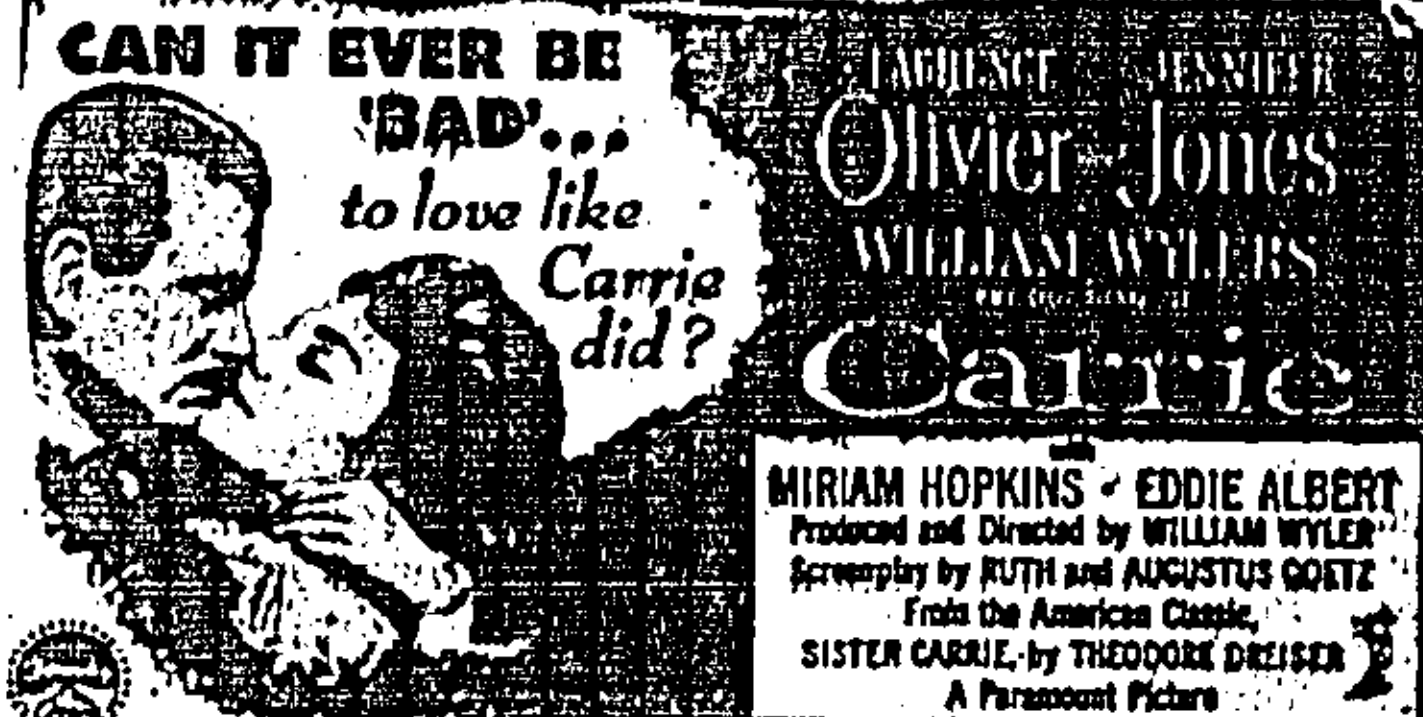
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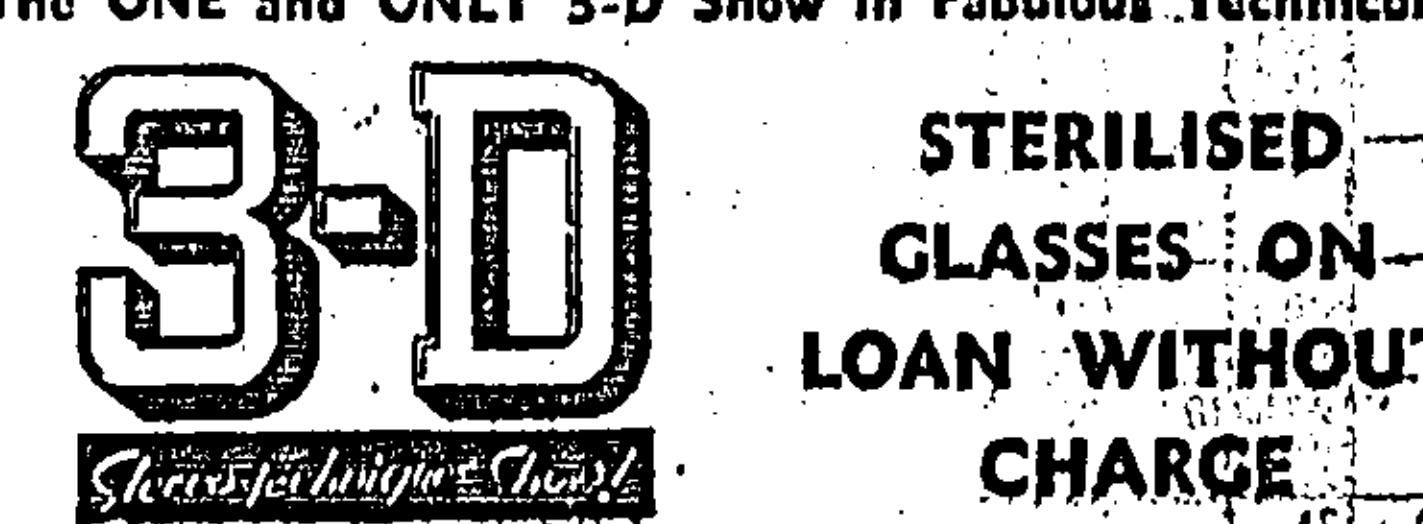


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ANOTHER ECLIPSE FOR GAULLISTS

Paris, May 4.

Interior Ministry officials today waded through a mass of statistics on Sunday's second round of local elections which confirmed the triumph of M. Antoine Pinay's Moderate Conservatives and the eclipse of the Gaullists shown in the first round on April 26.

Second round elections were held in all towns of fewer than 9,000 inhabitants where no candidate won an absolute majority on April 26.

It was open to candidates to form alliances in the hope of garnering more votes in the second round when decision was by simple majority.

Figures were still too fragmentary for a full picture but the pattern of April 26 was clearly repeated.

The Communists remained the biggest party. The Socialists advanced, the Moderate Conservatives of M. Pinay (former "save the franc" Prime Minister) made a solid mark in their first organised municipal campaign.

The Gaullists, who swept the board in the last municipal elections in 1947, collapsed hopelessly.

The Socialists had spurned an invitation from the Communists to join forces in the second round polls, though local party groups entered into the alliance in some places.

WIFED OUT

In one of them, the home town of President Vincent Auriol, the Communist-Socialist alliance was wiped out of the local council. The previous council had elected a Socialist mayor.

The Ministry of the Interior said complete results could not be expected for another 10 days. Counting and analysis were very complicated, with different systems in operation for big and little municipalities.

But on the partial figures known French observers agreed that France has fallen back to traditional left and right line-ups to a greater extent than at any time since the war.

To sum up, the Communist vote was maintained, the Gaullists took a big setback, the Conservatives scored strongly, the Socialists and the Radicals gained to some extent and the Catholics held their own.

Reuter.

The Soviet Government today issued an exit visa for him.

Mr. Bundock, a 30-year-old Londoner, was sentenced in his absence by a Moscow court in 1949 to 15 months imprisonment for an alleged offence against a Russian girl.

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BUNDOCK OFF HOME TODAY

Moscow, May 4.

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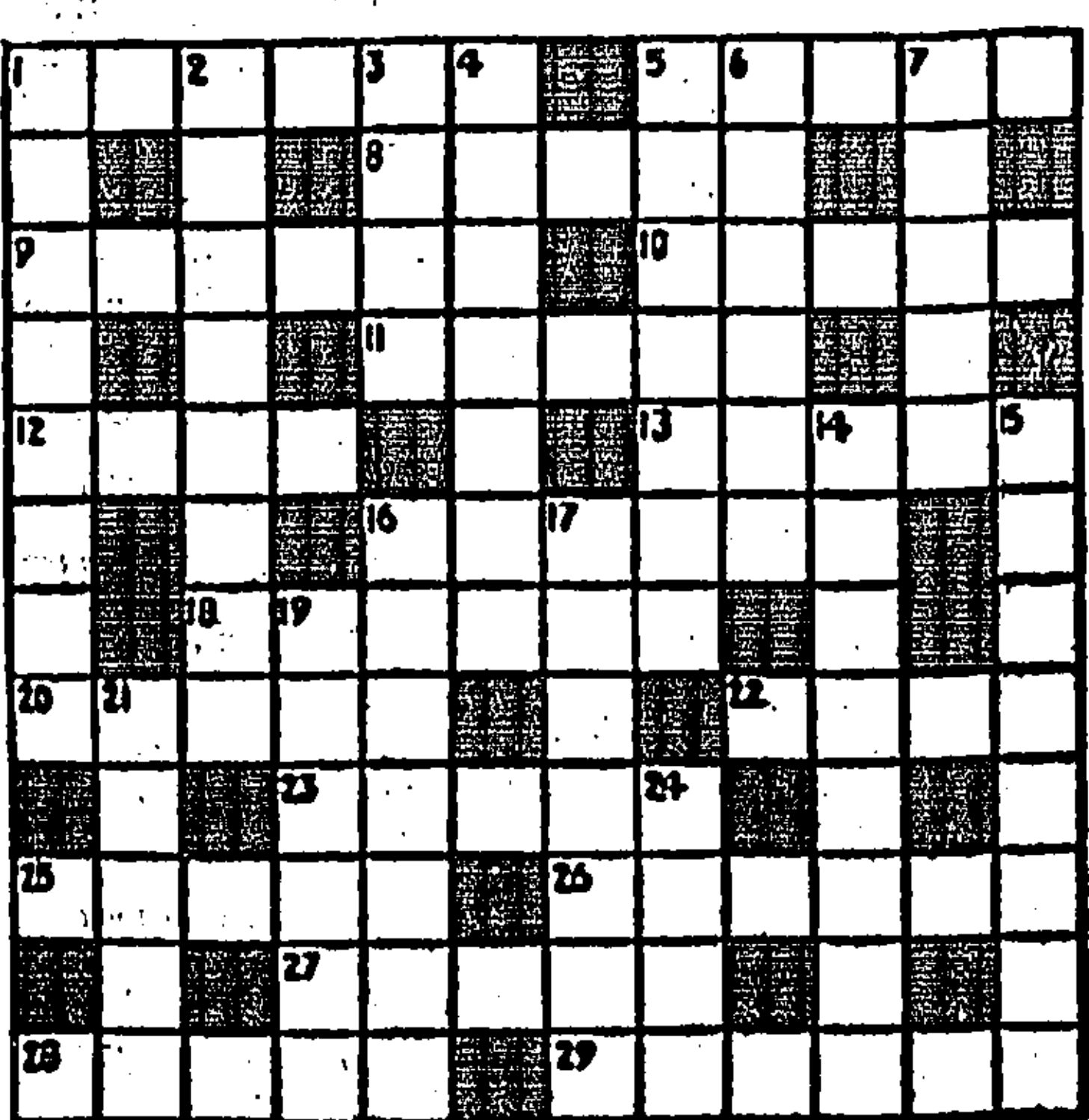
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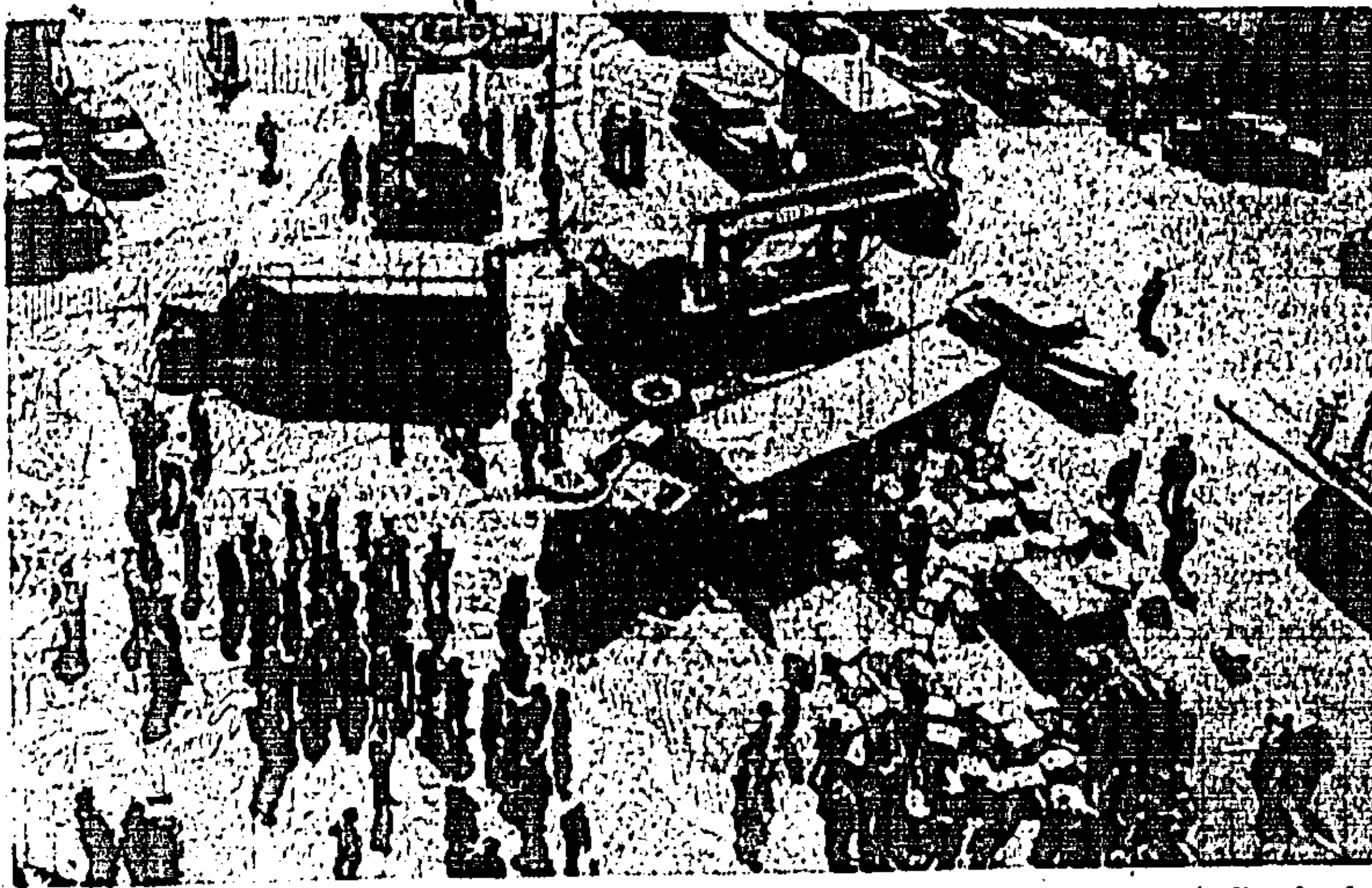
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 - Schemes (5).
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- Vestment (8).
 - Exact copies (8).
 - Sailor (7).
 - Cookery instructions (7).
 - Eloquent speaker (8).
 - Custom (5).
 - Tussle (8).
 - Assumed (8).
 - Trembles (7).
 - Out of spirit (7).
 - Cleric (6).
 - Month (5).
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YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across, 1 Drama, 4 Tramps, 9 Ophelia, 10 Arise, 12 Ripped, 14 Senator, 17 Post, 18 Cereals, 20 Plates, 22 Aces, 23 Settlers, 27 Serene, 29 Amuse, 30 Tangle, 31 Elects, 32 Strat. Down: 1 Dross, 2 Allen, 3 Alert, 5 Repp, 6 Midday, 7 Secs, 9 Dloesse, 11 Repeat, 15 Epile, 18 Abner, 19 Slip, 20 Palace, 21 Residue, 24 Tears, 25 Paper, 28 Spin, 29 Rep.

Pedestrians Menaced By Bouncing Bales



A strange accident happened on First Avenue, New York, recently, when a trailer truck with 15 tons of raw rubber bales overturned in avoiding a collision with a car. The bales bounced crazily all over the pavement and roadway and pedestrians ran wildly about trying to avoid them. One woman was chased by four heavy bales, all bouncing together, when she tripped over her shopping basket and the bales bounced over her head.—Express Photo.

Australian Economy Called Unrealistic By Experts

Melbourne, May 4.

Leading economists are uniting in a call for a new approach to Australia's present economy which, they say, is not realistic.

Research Service, an independent Sydney bureau which makes periodical surveys of the Australian scene, describes Australia, with her great dependence on one major export, wool, as among the most open and liable to economic shocks of any important nation in the world.

She is far more vulnerable than South Africa, Canada or New Zealand, yet according to Research Service, her foreign trade policy is largely left to its own devices.

Australian economists not connected with Research Service have supported the finding that faced with climate and primary commodity prices as the real economic detritus industrialisation is not a means of stabilising income.

For instance, on the basis of current conditions, the Australian wool clip can vary within the limits of "normal probabilities" between £224,000,000 (£221,200,000 sterling) and £231,200,000 (£231,200,000 sterling). This season's cheque is estimated to reach around £235,000,000 (£235,000,000 sterling).

In the boom year of 1950-51 it set a record of £248,000,000 (£248,000,000 sterling).

NORMAL VARIATIONS

Normally probable variations of price and clip volume could cause either a decline of £250,000,000 (£244,800,000 sterling) or an increase of £277,000,000 (£260,800,000 sterling) in Australia's trade balance.

These variations, as a result of accepted cumulative effects, could cause fluctuations of more than four per cent in the national income; a figure greater than is possible at full employment level in any one year from increased secondary activity or other internal factors.

Thus, on a current national income of around £235,000,000.

Pulitzer Prize For Hemingway

New York, May 4.

Ernest Hemingway's novel, "The Old Man and the Sea," and William Inge's play "Picnic" won the 1953 Pulitzer Prize awards, it was announced today by Columbia University.

The awards marked the 36th year of the Pulitzer Prizes. Except for the drama award, they were for work completed or published in 1952.

Other awards in the field of letters included: for a distinguished book on the history of the United States, "The Era of Good Feeling" by George Dangerfield; for a distinguished American biography or autobiography, "Edmund Pendleton, 1721-1803" by David J. Mays; for a distinguished volume of verse, "Collected Poems 1917-1952" by Archibald MacLeish; United Press.

Norway's Fleet

Oslo, May 4.

The Norwegian merchant fleet in January this year totalled more than six million gross tons, according to official figures issued by the Norwegian Veritas.

Motor ships made up 4.7 million tons, and steam ships 1.3 million tons of the total gross tonnage. Vessels of under 100 tons are not included in the statistics.

Four Million Israel's Aim

Sydney, May 4.

Mr. Herl Locker, co-chairman of the Jewish World Agency, said on arrival today that Israel wanted to build her population from her present 1,700,000 to a minimum of 4,000,000.

Mr. Locker said: "I have come to ask Jews here to open their hearts and pockets to help Israel."

He added he wanted Australian Jews to migrate to Israel.—Reuter.

UP TO ALL TO HELP BRITAIN

London, May 4.

Mr. Tom O'Brien, Socialist M.P. for North West Nottingham and chairman of the General Council of the British T.U.C., told the annual congress of the Scottish T.U.C. at Rothsay, Bute: "Whether industry is publicly or privately controlled or owned, it is everybody's job to help the nation to earn its living."

He said: "There are workers who think of efficiency as something to do with the boss but nothing to do with themselves."

"If they persist in such attitudes for long, then all they will have to live on will be their own illusions. We are right in the middle of a period when we cannot afford inefficiency in management or low productivity in the workshop."

"We will only get by as a nation if we equipped to succeed, equipped with the right techniques to do the job, and most important of all, the right attitude of mind throughout industry."

Reuter.

Mechanical Brain In A Box

London, May 4.

Britain will soon have brains for sale—to help boost factory production by saving time. They will be delivered in a neat cabinet, 13ft. long by 17ft. 6in. tall.

The National Research and Development Corporation has paid £20,000 for the sample "brain," intending to demonstrate to big industrial firms just what it can do in the way of saving time and money.

Their prototype was demonstrated at the Physical Society exhibition at the Imperial College, South Kensington—Veil 401— which can work out sums that would baffle a Senior Wrangler.

In seconds it can solve astronomical equations that would take a team of skilled mathematicians weeks to solve.

It can add or subtract 10,000 times a second, and multiplication finds simple at 160 sums a second.

The Corporation does not expect to sell many.

They plan to install "The Brain" in provincial centres so machines who cannot afford £20,000 can use it in the industrial plant, saying as it works.

Catholics Tell Grim Stories Of Korean Ordeal

Paris, May 4.

An elderly blind nun of 14 repatriated French civilian internees told today of a forced march in North Korea during which she heard revolver shots after seriously wounded American soldiers failed to keep up.

Sister Marie Madeleine of the Carmelite Order, who went blind before her captivity, said during the 124-mile march through the snow in November 1950 they were never given anything to eat.

"The soldiers hustled us along the road prodding our ribs with their guns. They kept ordering us to walk faster."

"To stop meant certain death. The guards shot the stragglers out of hand."

The little nun added: "My stronger companions helped me along. I shall never forget their voices urging me to carry on."

Sister Marie Madeleine and the other French repatriates arrived here last night from Moscow and Berlin. Russia intervened with North Korea for their release.

ONLY SURVIVOR

Another of the released internees, the Rev. Celestin Coyos of the French Foreign Missions, told reporters he was the only survivor of the 14 French missionaries in Seoul.

The others, he said, died on the march or immediately afterwards from exhaustion or dysentery.

Father Coyos said the march lasted from October 28 to November 9, 1950.

Catholicism no longer exists in North Korea," Fr. Coyos said. "In any case all North Korean Catholics who could escape fled south."

"All the missionaries have been arrested and all the Korean priests are either dead or in prison," he added.

WOMAN'S STORY

French authorities are investigating the case of a German woman, Carola Giese, 55, who arrived here with the French party.

She explained that after being a governess in Tokyo she had married a Japanese civil servant in 1939. She was captured with her husband by the Russians in Manchuria in 1945.

After her husband's death she went to live in Seoul where she was detained by the North Koreans in 1950.

She said she had no family left in Germany and that she had posed as a French woman to avoid being sent to East Germany.—Reuter.

Jap Experts In Malaya

Singapore, May 4.

Five Japanese aluminium refining experts arrived here this evening for a 10-day inspection tour of bauxite mines in Malaya. They are to visit the State of Johore where bauxite production is being stepped up.

The team is composed of Mr. Tatsuo Nishimura, Mr. Shogo Nakata, both of the Japan Light Metal Company, Mr. Katsuji Saito of Showa Denko, Mr. Minoru Takemoto of Sumiyomo Chemical and Mr. Komei Osaki of the Light Metal Refiners Association.

Mr. F. C. Maunder and Mr. Shinsai Shudo of E. Ott and Company, who are sponsoring the trip, accompanied them from Tokyo.—Reuter.

MISSION IN ENGLAND

London, May 4.

A Burmese mission has arrived to visit centres in England and Scotland to look over the rolling stock and road building equipment.

The mission will then go to France to see available railway equipment there and shallow draft rivercraft. Burma needs 80 of these rivercraft to carry passengers and freight.

The mission will then go to Western Germany, Belgium, Switzerland and Holland before returning to Burma on June 25, stopping on the way at Karachi.—France-Press.

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MY MEETING WITH A SECRET AGENT

As I looked with horror at the German name-board at the frontier station the plain-clothes man laughed and told us not to be afraid for we were on a Swiss train travelling for a short way through German territory to Schaffhausen.

As the train sped back through Switzerland Lutyn and I talked happily in English like children going home for the school holiday.

Police headquarters in Schaffhausen was a pleasant, clean place with a roaring fire. We were taken for interrogation into the main office. The police officers asked me little of a military nature and seemed interested in conditions in Germany. I delivered a long peroration on Germans in general to the great amusement of the police. I referred to them as Buchers.

"Please do not refer to this Germans as Buchers, Lieutenant Neave. You must remember that we are neutral," said a police official, and winked discreetly. "You will be under hotel arrest for a few days," he said.

"HOTEL arrest" involved confinement in a small but comfortable hotel in the centre of Schaffhausen. We straightaway ordered a steak and a bottle of wine. The proprietor joined us in celebration and very shortly I was so drunk that I spoke in my sentences German, French, English and even a smattering of Polish. The good proprietor, seeing the effect of alcohol upon escape prisoners, ushered us upstairs to a room with two pure-white beds where we lay down and immediately lost consciousness.

Those halcyon days of "hotel arrest" passed swiftly. Buying two picture postcards of Schaffhausen from the proprietor I addressed one to a prisoner in the camp and wrote in short message, previously agreed, to indicate our safe arrival in

Switzerland. The other postcard showed Swiss girls in a traditional dance. This I addressed in English to the Kommandant of Oflag IVc, Oberst Frawitz, Colditz, near Leipzig, Germany.

"Dear Oberst—I am glad to be able to inform you that my friend and I have arrived safely for our holiday in Switzerland. We had a pleasant journey, suffering the minimum of inconvenience. I hope that you will not get tired to the Russian Front on my account. My regards to Hauptmann Priem. Yours sincerely, A. M. S. Neave, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery."

We did not send either postcard for some weeks after our escape; for there was so far no sign of our co-escapers John Hyde-Thomson and Lieutenant Donkers. Years afterwards I heard that when the officials at Ulm learned of our disappearance from the State Labour Office they established a stronger control at the railway station.



The arrival of two more "Dutch electrical workers" asking for tickets to the frontier zone was too much. John Hyde-Thomson and his friend were arrested and taken back to Colditz.

Just when we were beginning to grow impatient with our "hotel arrest" we were taken by train to Berne and delivered to our respective Legations. For some days I was

the guest of the British military attache and his assistant.

A Swiss doctor who examined me found no serious injury; he prescribed three weeks' rest in the country and I was sent to his charming chalet, Rosengarten, not far from Berne.

It was at Rosengarten that I spent my twenty-fifth birthday. The weeks that followed were passed in Fribourg at an hotel under the surveillance of the Swiss police. I lived a life of mild dissipation, made many friends among the Polish officers interned in the neighbourhood, became entangled with a number of alleged female spies and attended one lecture on architecture at Fribourg University.

In early April, 1942, I received an urgent summons to Geneva. I knew that plans were being made for escaped British prisoners to leave Switzerland in secrecy, but I knew no details.

My orders were to meet a man wearing a dark felt hat, who would be reading a Swiss periodical outside the station at Geneva.

As I came down the steps of the station I saw the man leaning against a newspaper kiosk. He seemed to be so conspicuous that I felt he might just as well have carried a small banner with the words "Secret Agent." As I came close he looked up expectantly, and I could see that he was reading the periodical upside down!

"Je viens de la part d'Aristide," said I.

"Come and have a drink, mon lieutenant," said the man, without giving any answer to the password. We wandered to an inconspicuous bar in a side street. We both drank Pernod, and in a slight daze, I learned that I was to escape over the Swiss frontier early next morning with Captain Hugh Woolfitt, M.C., of the Lancashire Fusiliers.

Hugh Woolfitt was a regular officer, tall with a thin face and rather long dark hair, which gave him a carefree

"THEY HAVE
THEIR EXITS"
CHAPTER 14
By
AIREY NEAVE
DSO, OBE, MC

appearance, particularly when he wore a beret basque. He escaped from an Oflag not far from the Swiss border in 1941. It is said to record that he was killed in action in Normandy in July, 1944.

I met Hugh Woolfitt at a tumbledown hotel where we were to stay the night, talking with me a little suitcase full of clothes which the agent had given me. As we talked an old crook crept down the creaking stairs of the hotel and pushed a registration book in front of us.

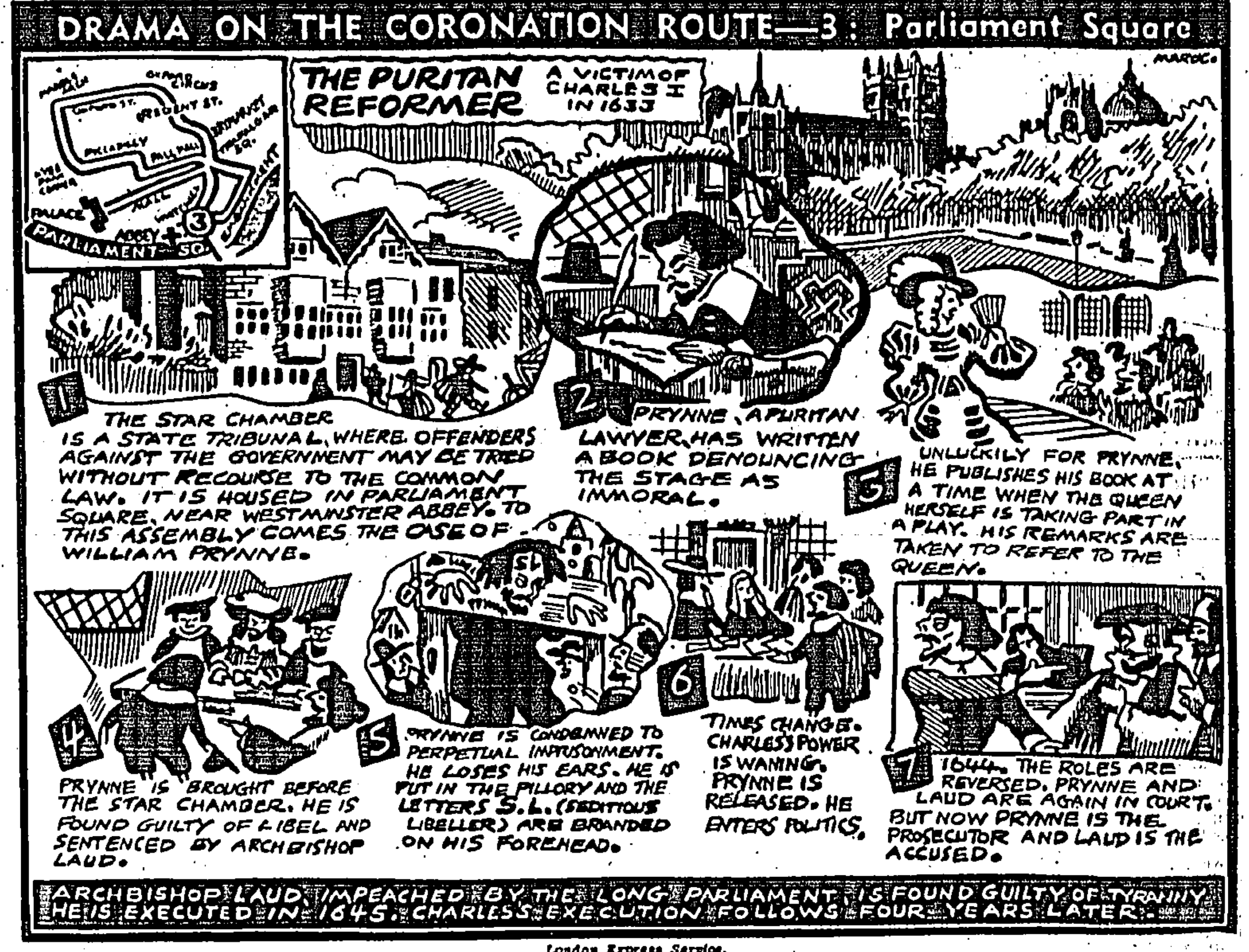
"What on earth do we do now?" I asked.

"Write a false name, old boy," said Woolfitt.

I laughed and promptly wrote my name as Oscar Wilde. Woolfitt described himself as Herr Albert Hall.

That evening we again met our melodramatic agent, Robert, of the dark hat, who gave us identity papers and money—and hinted at the dangers of travelling through Vichy France.

Tomorrow: Meeting with Mademoiselle Jeanne.



Vernon Bartlett analyses Russia's "peace" moves

CHANGE OF HEART—OR CHANGE OF TACTICS?

I WAS talking recently to an old friend about the latest developments in the Far East. "You know," he said, "I can't imagine a world without a war in Korea." It certainly is difficult to realise what such a world would be like, but I think the effort to realise it is worth while.

Ever since Malenkov—or Malenkov and Beria, for I still believe that Beria is the man with the directing brain—ever since Malenkov and Beria replaced Stalin, there have been signs of a dramatic change in Communist policy.

Let us recall only two or three of the political swallows that seem to herald a brighter year—the Soviet agreement to take steps for the release of British civilian prisoners in Korea; the agreement on a new Secretary-General for the United Nations; the unexpected grant of visas for a group of American editors to visit Russia; the amnesty for prisoners inside the Soviet Union; the proposal to resume Four-Power talks over Germany; and, of course, the Chinese offer to exchange prisoners of war in Korea on terms they had previously rejected with insult and contempt. What can it all mean?

Some people are fond of demanding a change of heart in Russia before there can be any relaxation of tension between East and West. This has always seemed to me rather absurd; a heart is not something one can change to order. The prospect ahead is not that of a Russian change of heart, but of a Russian change of tactics. Lenin, many years ago, wrote of a policy of tactical retreat. That, I think, is what we are now witnessing.

Less Dangerous

We have seen it before—for example, when Litvinov was Commissar for Foreign Affairs and when the Communists were co-operating with other political parties in a united front against Fascism. I don't suppose that the leaders of the Russian Communist Party have modified in the least their desire for world domination; they have merely come to the conclusion that they must pursue their aim by different and less dangerous ways.

Three and a half years ago the official Cominform newspaper printed details about the ways in which the Communists co-operated with other political parties in a united front against Fascism. I don't suppose that the leaders of the Russian Communist Party have modified in the least their desire for world domination; they have merely come to the conclusion that they must pursue their aim by different and less dangerous ways.

The technique at all these conferences has been the same—well-meaning delegates, attracted

to the first place by their natural and laudable desire for peace, find that they have to listen to the most violent attacks against their own governments and the most fulsome praise of the Soviet Union. The few of them who have the courage to protest against such distortions are neglected in the official conference reports although their presence is, of course, widely publicised.

The fact that they are not themselves Communists helps to attract other non-Communists to the next conference. "In favour of peace," the names of the Communists who do all the real preparation and organisation being kept in the background.

Overlooked

Here is one example. Preparation has been going on for two years or so for a World Congress of Doctors, which would doubtless give opportunities for fresh resolutions about the alleged American use of bacteriological warfare in Korea, the horrors of the atomic bomb, and so on. The fact that the Americans have, time after time, demanded an impartial inquiry into these bacteriological allegations and a genuine international control of atomic weapons is, of course, conveniently overlooked.

And while they try to organise their World Congress of Doctors, the Communists have caused every Communist State to withdraw its doctors and other experts from the World Health Organisation. This body is making practical efforts on behalf of the United Nations to raise health standards all over the world; yet the Communist members of the United Nations pay not one cent to support this work, but they spend I don't know how many thousands of pounds on organisations that tend to disrupt the United Nations.

One more small example. A "Conference in Defence of the Rights of Youth" was recently held in Vienna. Its resolutions favoured a reduction of military service, especially in the NATO countries, although conscription is, in fact, much more severe in the Soviet Union.

Building Up

There were also expressions of indignation over the treatment of youth in the Colonies, of which, of course, the Soviet Union has none. But nothing was said about young people in the Russian forced labour camps.

African delegates had been invited, all expenses paid, from Northern Rhodesia and other remote territories. One wonders why.

If I remind you of such matters, it is not that I want to

throw doubts on the importance of the change in Soviet policy. Far from it. But the optimism to which the change has, rightly and naturally, given rise could so easily lead us to forget the most elementary and obvious precautions. Let us by all means accept the change, but let us not forget the reasons for which it is being made.

Being unable to hide under Mr. Malenkov's desk in the Kremlin, I can only guess at his reasoning. He has to build up his own popularity, to strengthen his own position. He can do this by exaggerating the external danger to Russia, and by calling on his people to unite behind him. Or he can do it by relieving the tension and by appearing to his people as the man who can really make peace.

The first policy is becoming uncomfortably dangerous, especially, perhaps, with a Republican administration in power in the United States. So he chooses the second policy. Hence the release from Russian prisons and labour camps of thousands of Russians guilty of minor misdeeds, such as arriving late at the factory, or failing to fulfil production quotas. Hence, too, the proposals in Korea and the new policy of co-operation in the United Nations.

Advantages

This second policy also gives certain advantages to the Communists. In the last two or three years the Western Powers have been turning out far more than the Eastern Powers in the way of armaments. The United States, for example, produces far more steel than the Soviet Union; if the Americans are sufficiently alarmed to divert that steel from motor cars to guns and tanks, then they can build up a most formidable striking force. So the most obvious policy is to reduce that American arm.

And if the actual fighting in Korea can be ended, criticism of heavy spending on armaments would be much more effective in the United States than in the Soviet Union, where, indeed, it would not be allowed at all.

From the purely material point of view, a long truce between East and West should be much more valuable to the Russians, who are still in the process of turning a backward agricultural State into a great industrial one, than to the Americans, who have already reached a much higher industrial level than any other country in the world.

A long truce may have other advantages in Mr. Malenkov's eyes. The Communist textbooks have taught him that the capitalist system contains the seeds of its own destruction, and Western finance might become chaotic if it were obviously unnecessary to spend such

large sums on armaments. And, again, the end of the Korean war and some lessening of tension in Europe might possibly, in the Kremlin's view, lead the Americans to withdraw into their North American shell.

But a truce between East and West would also face the Communists with a danger. So considerable a danger that, in my view, we are fully justified in feeling optimistic, even if the sole motive behind the Communist change in policy is to catch us off guard in, perhaps, ten or fifteen years' time.

More Contact

If there is to be a truce, there must also be more contact between the peoples who are now divided by the infamous Iron Curtain. There was a time when we were so frightened of Communist propaganda that we almost welcomed this lack of contact. In particular, we were not sure whether the Federal Republic in Western Germany would succumb to Communism if it were to be reunited with Eastern Germany.

But, since the beginning of 1953, East Germans have crossed into Western Germany by the thousands; and there could be no better indication that the Germans will be immune to Communism for a long time to come. Again, Poland, Hungary and Eastern Germany are, in normal times, exporters of food on a large scale, but in recent months none of them has been able adequately to feed its own people, mainly because the peasants are in revolt against the policy of collectivised farms. The Communist governments of these countries are generally unpopular except among the very young, who are enthusiastically largely because the Iron Curtain makes it possible for their leaders to fill them up with fantastic nonsense about the lives and ambitions of ordinary folk in the Western world.

So it seems that we should have everything to gain if the Iron Curtain were to disappear, providing we keep three points in mind.

The Barrier

One is that there should be some kind of guarantee that armistices in Korea will not mean only that the Chinese transfer their troops from that grim peninsula to the much more important territory of Indo-China. The second point is that the Communists must abandon their policy of stirring up the backward peoples of the world to revolt; the problems of race relations in Africa and Southern Asia would be tragically difficult even if everybody acted with patience, good faith and good will. The third point is that there can be no real peace until

the barrier between ordinary citizens in the Eastern and Western worlds has disappeared.

For it is that barrier which makes us forget our common humanity. Without it, we might find so many of our fears of each other were absurd and unjustified. Even our governments might find that they had more points in common than they now realise.

For example, they are both spending an immense amount of money and energy on preparations for a war they hope most devoutly will never come—for even if all the worst ambitions of which each accuses the other were true, a war would be an appalling admission of failure; it would be so dubious and so costly a method of achieving world domination.

Fear Of War

No Russian could be sure in advance that the satellite States would remain loyal. No American could overlook the immense strides made by Communism in two world conflicts, for Communism is the product of misery and discontent, and another war would create far more Communists than it would kill. Each government would prefer to spend less on armaments and more on making its people strong and contented.

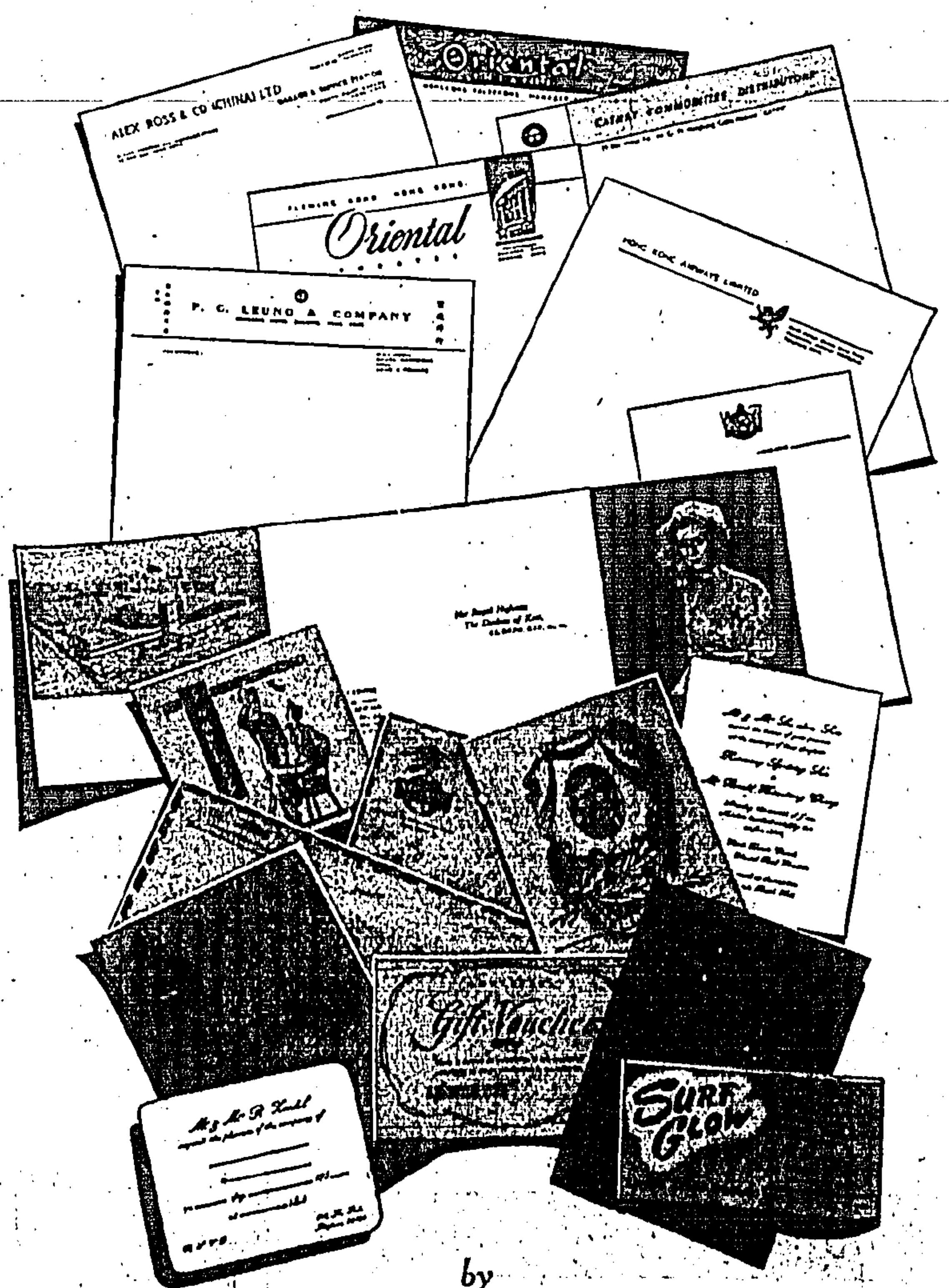
We should realise how much more than the fear of another war we have in common if we were not all so misled by names and slogans. The Russians claim to be Communists; but they have developed a class society at least as pronounced as our own. The Americans boast of their capitalist "free enterprise," but they have taken immense strides in the last twenty years towards the creation of a welfare State. Britain's own national health insurance is much more complete than those of which the Communist States are so proud.

Iron Curtain

In the Union of South Africa, where men speak with fear and fury about the Fabian Society and the British Labour Party, it has always been taken for granted that the railways and other means of transport should belong to the State. The best State hotels I have found, anywhere in the world are in France, Spain, and I have not the slightest doubt that people are equally sincere on each side of the Iron Curtain in believing that their own form of government is the best for mankind.

But the Iron Curtain is not of our making. It is not our fault if the permission to ten American editors to visit Russia is the item of news, reported in newspapers all over the world, that we can do little more than welcome the Russian steps towards peace. And, of course, hope that there will be still more of them.

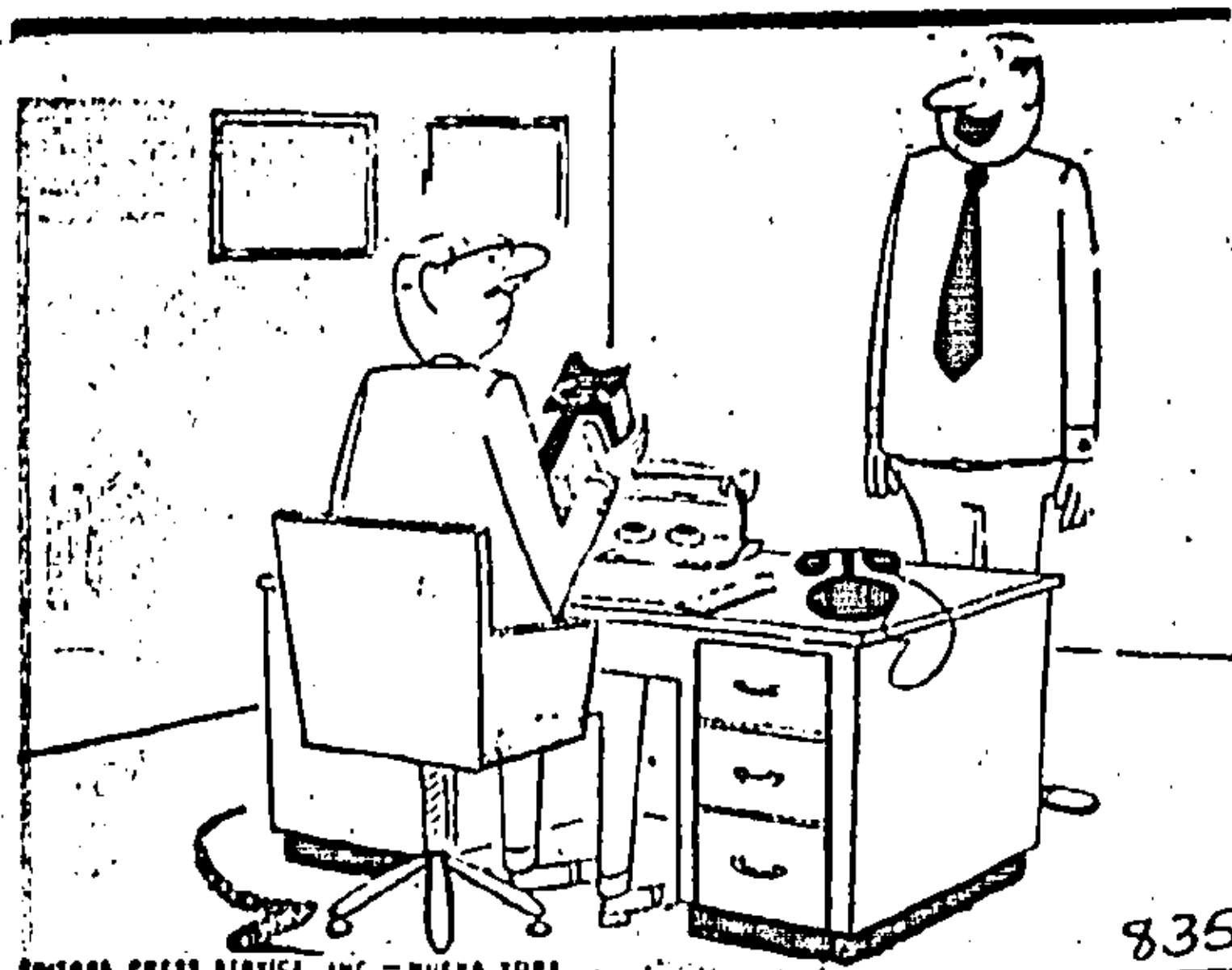
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A MUSIC critic with "integrity, awareness, and a sense of values"—(the new phrase which is ousting "vital, human, and dynamic")—once said of a critic: "Of course, nobody would pretend that it really does, as one understands the word 'singing'."

What will this critic have to say of the music which has been taught to play a tiny violin? I understand that the little maestro does not tick the instrument under his chin, but leaves it between his paws, and works on it more as though it were a "cell".

"Norman, do you hear a faint noise?" "Yes, Elsie. It seems to come from behind the wall." "And it is that infernal noise, practicing on his violin again."

Wisdom of the ages

"Possession," said the unit seriously, "is more than the law of the land, when he had watched a bag of gold from a merchant. 'If that is the kind of law, the truth of the matter, there is the truth point.' And he knocked him on the head with a mallet, and left him senseless." (Shahab-ud-Din of Baghdad).

Your car and Suet
C. SUET, Esq., gave more details yesterday of his scheme for underhand games and car-parks. He made it clear that the ramps on different levels, each turning slowly round in a circle, would be connected by cut-in sections of over-level and under-level slopes, each facing the entrance and exit, each leading to, and blocked by interior and exterior outlets with a turnabout half-way up the extended curve of the double-tracked check-points connected with the transverse runways between the outgoing and ingoing lanes. Otherwise, concluded Suet, there would be chaos.

Mrs Rumpus
How can I forget her? In my mind, I see her. You have heard of Mrs. Rumpus? "Come back, Mrs. Rumpus!" "But there's no reply." "When my money goes down, with that damnable boulder trapped on her nose." Chorus: Singing ratty-danty-diddy-do, ratty-danty-diddy-do.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, MAY 5

BORN today, you have a good head for figures and all mathematical problems are played out in your mind. You are a hunchy, you are the type to like mental gymnastics, puzzles, cryptograms—anything that will give your brain a workout. Your memory is phenomenal and this should be put to work for you in your profession. You also have a vivid imagination which, if combined with your latent mechanical ability, might encourage you to turn to invention for profit.

You are methodical and cautious in your approach to important problems, yet you seem to have an instinctive ability to make "hunch" judgments. Although you know how to make money, you may have to learn how to save it. You are unshakably what you have when you have it. That means that unless you prepare for that rainy day, it might appear!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—When your circle of acquaintances it will be good for you right now. You may be a little bored with life.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Don't be hurried into anything. Better to wait a while until you are sure.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Tension appears to be mounting. Let them down by some pleasant recreation. Do you as much good as sleep.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Don't ignore the social aspects of your life. You may find they play an important part in your progress.

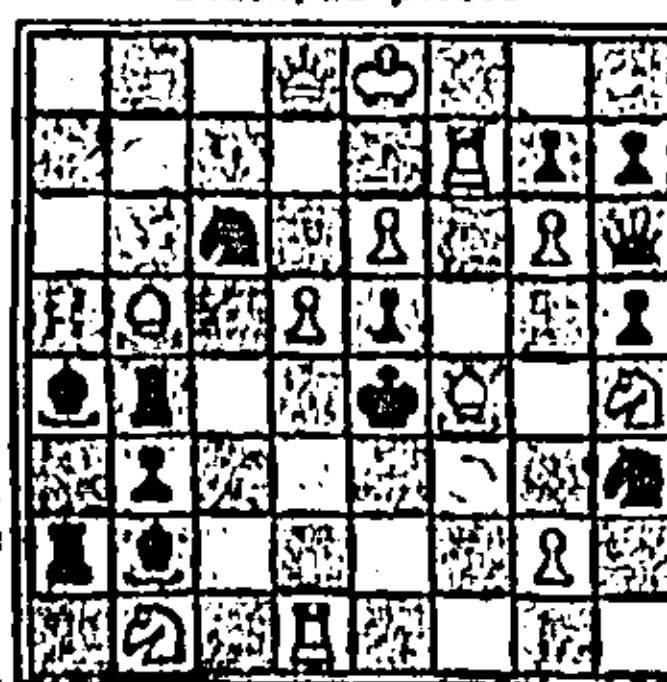
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Be sure that whatever you build today is on a sound basis. Don't use guesswork. Stick to facts.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Pay strict attention to an important job today. It can even pay the way to success with gold!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Take care of detail work personally rather than delegate it to another. You are sure, then, of what's going on!

CHess PROBLEM

By A. ELLERMAN
Black, 13 pieces



White, 12 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Q-K5, any; 2. Q, B, or Kt mates.

WHAT'S HER LINE?

MONICA POWELL

Arrange the letters to spell out an occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Use Your Partner To Win at Bridge

NORTH				4
♥ 842				
♥ 853				
♥ 7652				
♥ 963				
WEST		EAST		
♥ 953		♥ 76		
♥ KQJ9		♥ 106		
♥ J98		♥ A1043		
♥ J75		♥ K10842		
SOUTH (D)				
♥ AKQJ10				
♥ A742				
♥ KQ				
♥ A4				
North-South vul.				
South	West	North	East.	
2 ♠	Pass	2 N.T.	Pass	
3 ♠	Pass	4 N.T.	Pass	
4 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	Pass	
Pass	Pass	4 ♣	Pass	
Opening lead — ♥ K				

Reg Allen Not Retained By Manchester United

London, May 5. Manchester United's report that goalkeeper Reg Allen has not been retained on their playing staff rekindles his supporters' memories of the 30-year-old Londoner's trying experiences.

Allen, who cost Manchester United the record fee for a goalkeeper of £11,000 for his transfer from Queen's Park Rangers in 1950, was interned for nearly four years by the Germans in 1941.

Allen, a British Commando volunteer, was taken prisoner with a marine while attempting to sink a ship at Benghazi harbour.

He was taken to camp in Genoa, where he was soon in trouble for assisting in the escape of two soldiers. He himself recalls that he was sentenced to ten days' hard labour, which he alleged included a heavy beating up.

Allen said: "I often wondered how I survived the 25 months at this camp. Our main daily diet was five ounces of bread, and one plate of 'baggage-water' soup."

Eventually Allen claims he was picked up by a British liaison officer after being three days on the loose in Vienna in May, 1945, during the Russian advance.

With the war over, Allen was prevented from playing professional soccer for some months while recovering from the effects of his imprisonment.

When he did report fit, he soon played himself into Queen's Park Rangers' first team, and in 1948 his consistent brilliance helped Rangers to win the Third Division (South) championship.

At that period Allen was ranked by the sturdiest defenders in the Third Division, and it was natural that the club's performances should bring him, particularly, to notice.

Agile and fearless, he was the goal of Queen's Park Rangers' fans and it was a bitter disappointment when he left to join Manchester United.

Last season, Manchester United carried off the League title, but this term they have not shown such consistency, and Allen has moved much of the season through illness.

Earlier this season, a London sports writer reported that he had seen Allen at a Chelsea game. He wrote: "I was surprised to see that he was greying at the temples."

It would appear that Allen's illness is attributable to his imprisonment. Whatever the cause, his recovery can be effected and will enable him to return to the game which he calls his "first love"—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THIRTEENTH RACE MEETING 1952/53

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 9th May, 1953

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The programme will consist of 10 races each day. The First Ball will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2 p.m. on both days.

Through Tickets for the 2nd Day (10 Races — \$20.00) also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Alexandra House, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

To avoid congestion at the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, sweep tickets may also be purchased at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

5 D'Almeida Street, Hong Kong

392 Nathan Road, Kowloon

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies as declared by the Stewards when the "ALL CLEAR" is given. The "ALL CLEAR" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tiers. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Alexandra House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order of the Stewards
H. MISA,
Secretary.



Australians Dismiss Leicestershire Twice In A Day

Leicester, May 4.

Australia's cricketers, dismissing Leicestershire twice in a day, for 109 and 180, won by an innings and 154 runs with a day to spare. They had declared at their overnight score of 443 for eight.

Leicestershire's batting failed miserably against an attack no better than that of most county sides. Only Charles Palmer, 26 run out and 62 not out, was at all comfortable. By sound methodical stroke play he showed there was no real tear gas in the bowling.

Palmer and Walsh, an Australian, added 63 for the sixth wicket but the end came soon afterwards.

Palmer completed a chanceless 50 in 100 minutes. He remained unbeaten and had seven fours.

Spin bowler Ring took four for 57 and five for 66, but Jack Hill, four for 36, looked the more impressive.

THE SCOREBOARD
Australians, 1st innings: 443 for 8 declared.
Leicestershire, 1st innings: 109 all out.
Lester, lbw b. Davidson 2
Smithson, b. Davidson 9
Tomkins, c. Hill b. Archer 9
Palmer, run out 26
Palmer, c. Harvey b. Ring 26
Munden, c. Hill b. Ring 18
Walsh, not out 62
Spence, lbw b. Hill 23

Australians, 2nd innings: 180 all out.
Lester, c. Harvey b. Ring 19
Smithson, c. Tallon b. Hill 30
Tomkins, b. Hill 4
Palmer, not out 62
Jackson, b. Hill 4
Munden, lbw b. Hill 33
Walsh, c. Hill b. Ring 33
Spence, c. Tallon b. Ring 13
Spence, c. Davidson b. Hill 13
Goodwin, c. Harvey b. Ring 0
Firth, absent hurt 7

EXTRAS
Davidson 10 2 23 2
Archer 8 3 12 1
Hill 5 1 9 0
Ring 12 3 57 4
Hill 8 5 8 1
Total 130

Queen's Park In Glasgow Charity Cup Final

London, May 4. Rangers and Queen's Park drew one-all in the Glasgow Charity Cup semi-final today.

Queen's Park won the toss of the coin and now meet Celtic in the final at Hampden Park, Glasgow, next Saturday—Reuter.

INDONESIAN GESTURE

The All-Indonesian Football Team, PSSI have donated \$1,510, the entire proceeds of the soccer match between Indonesia and Korea last Thursday, to the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

NOTICE
THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Whitsun Race Meeting 1952/53 to be held on Saturday, 23rd and Monday, 25th May, 1953, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday, 12th May, 1953.

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AUSTRALIA WILL WIN THE TESTS—AND CONFOUND ALL THE CRITICS

Says STAN McCABE

(Best remembered as the Australian batsman whose exploits against the shock attack of Larwood won for him a place in the cricket annals of both England and Australia).

What are Australia's prospects in the Test Matches against England?

British opinion favours England's chances during the current series—and not a few Australians are of the same opinion. Betting men, in fact, are willing to lay a shade of odds that Australia, at best, will not win more than one Test this season.

Judged in the balance of popular opinion, therefore, it seems that cricket fans take a dim view of Australia's ability to take the "Ashes" back with them when they return home at the end of the season.

I do not subscribe to this opinion. On the contrary, I believe Australia will win the Tests—and confound the critics.

My belief is based upon an assessment of the various talents of the members of the touring team, of their individual abilities, and of their collective merits.

Those members of the Australian team who represent "the old brigade" need no introduction to readers—their talents are too well known—but it is appropriate to recall that both Lindsay Hassett (Captain) and Arthur Morris (Vice-Captain), after periods of uncertain batting, regained their form recently against the South Africans—and both are seen at their best when playing on English wickets. So if you are inclined to write them off as "has-beens," your views are very wide of the mark.

The other "old timers" in the touring team are Bill Johnston, Ray Lindwall, Keith Miller, Doug Ring and Don Tallon. Of these, it can be said that no bowler (and I'm not forgetting Alec Bedser) is a stunner who can handle them down after over, hour after hour, with the same tenacity of purpose, the same guile, and the same accuracy as during the 1948 Tests in England.

Lindwall and Miller, I agree, have lost something of their speed, but nothing of their cunning. Their combined shock attack, it will be found, maintains all its old-time venom.

Doug Ring, in England for the 1948 tour, was included as a handy all-rounder. He remains just that. Don Tallon, veteran wicket-keeper, was lost to cricket last season through illness. His keeping is as good as ever. His batting is better than ever. He concludes the parade of old stalwarts.

THE NEW BRIGADE
Now let us have a brief look at the new members of the Australian team—the young members who have fought their way in against opposition from a number of other young Australians who are knocking at the door of big cricket.

The baby of the team and the "draw card" who will bring thousands of new customers through the turnstiles, is Ian Craig, 17-year-old batsman. Last year, at 16, he was the youngest player ever to appear in the Sheffield Shield cricket. This year, at 17, he is the youngest player ever to play in a Test Match.

At his Test debut, he made 53 in the first innings, 47 in the second—a Test average of exactly 50. Playing against South Africa in an earlier match, he made a double century.

Ian is a right-hand batsman, a brilliant stroke-maker and a good outfielder. He has been acclaimed the greatest "find" since Bradman. The present tour may decide whether this claim is well-founded.

Nell Harvey, of course, toured England in 1948 and made a century there in his first Test. He needs no introduction; but so would not be fair to Nell if I included him among the old-timers.

He is only 24, so has many years of play ahead of him—that is why his name was not included among the veterans. I named earlier. This season, Nell has enjoyed phenomenal success—and it is to be hoped this success will continue throughout his English tour.

If it does, spectators in England will be treated to the finest exhibition of stroke-making they have seen for many a year; because Nell is a stylist who can

entrail the crowds by his brilliant play. He, too, is an outfielder—and a good one.

Ron Archer, like Ian Craig, is a teen-ager. At 19, he is a six-footer of powerful physique, a right-hand, fast-medium bowler, a good batsman and a splendid field in almost any position. His power of concentration is such that he is not perturbed by extraneous elements. He gets so engrossed in the task on hand that, within himself, he creates the elements that lead to success.

Ritchie Bevan, Alan Davidson and Jim De Courcy all hail from New South Wales. Their respective ages are 22, 23 and 25. All three are temperamentally fitted to Test atmospheres. Bevan and Davidson are all-rounders. De Courcy is a stylish and resourceful bat.

Colin McDonald, at 24, has been groomed as an opening bat. He played in one Test against the West Indies and in all the Tests against South Africa. He is slow, cautious and somewhat unattractive in stance and stroke-making; but is improving all the time.

Young Graeme Hole, feeling that he lacked opportunities in New South Wales, migrated to South Australia a few seasons back, and has never regretted that step. Still only 22, he has had considerable Test experience, having played against the English in 1950-51, the West Indians last season and the South Africans

this year. He is high up in the batting averages and is a good, improving all-rounder.

Gill Langley has been Australia's wicket-keeper in all recent Tests against the West Indians and the South Africans. He has performed creditably rather than brilliantly. Don't ask me whether he will be first or second keeper during the English tour.

The opinion is almost universal in Australia that Tallon is far ahead of Langley as a keeper and is a really first-class batsman as well. Yet Langley has been persevering with it. It remains to be seen who makes the grade in the Tests against England.

Jack Hill completes the personnel of the Australian team to tour England. His choice came as a surprise to the public, but not to competent cricket observers. He is a right bowler—and a really first-class batsman as well. I tell you more about him in my next article, which describes Australia's bowling strength.

Even from the foregoing, necessarily brief, thumb-nail biographies of the Australian cricketers, you will have noticed how diverse are their talents. It is on this diversity, allied to the levelling of an old with old players, that I assess their ability to win the present Test series in England and forecast that they will do so by a comfortable margin.

A Grand Century By Denis Compton

London, May 4.

A grand century by Denis Compton in his first county match of the season heartened those fans who hope to see him back in the England team against Australia this season.

He batted for 10 minutes over three hours, hitting 15 fours, but having reached three figures he stepped out and was stumped.

With his captain, Bill Edrich, claiming a half century, Middlesex resumed the initiative against Northamptonshire, who had gained a first innings lead of 86, but will now need something over 200 in the fourth innings to prevent Middlesex from winning tomorrow.

Yorkshire showed their strength by beating a strong MCC side in two days bowlers dominating the game; with Wardle's match figures of 11 for 48 being a magnificent performance.

They put the MCC out twice in the 80s and though Yorkshire did not reach 200, their score was sufficient for an innings victory.

Hampshire were indebted to Harrison for claiming a big advantage over Essex after gaining a first innings lead.

With the pitch crumbling and dusty at one end bold tactics were necessary from batsmen and Harrison supplied them by playing nearly three hours for 84, including 14 fours.

Earlier Ray Smith had shown similar boldness for Essex by hitting 28 in eight strokes, including two sixes over square leg.

Worcestershire, as against the Australians, showed further signs that they will have to be reckoned with this season and they appear safe from defeat. The

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES
Close of play scores in county and first class matches which were continued today were:—

At Southampton: Hampshire 194 and 218 for eight (Harrison 84); Essex 152.

At Oxford: Gloucestershire 297 and 259 for four (T. Gravener 124, Crapp 54); Oxford University 186 (Burrell 60, Lambert 5 for 69).

At Chesham: Surrey 303 for four declared; Cambridge University 68 (Alec Bedser 4 for 14) and 150 for three.

At London: Yorkshire beat MCC by an innings and 14 runs; MCC 87 and 82 (Wardle 3 for 12); Yorkshire 153 (Hill 61, Tattersall 5 for 54).

At Peterborough: Middlesex 90 and 298 for 8 (Denis Compton 100, W. Edrich 50); Northamptonshire 182.

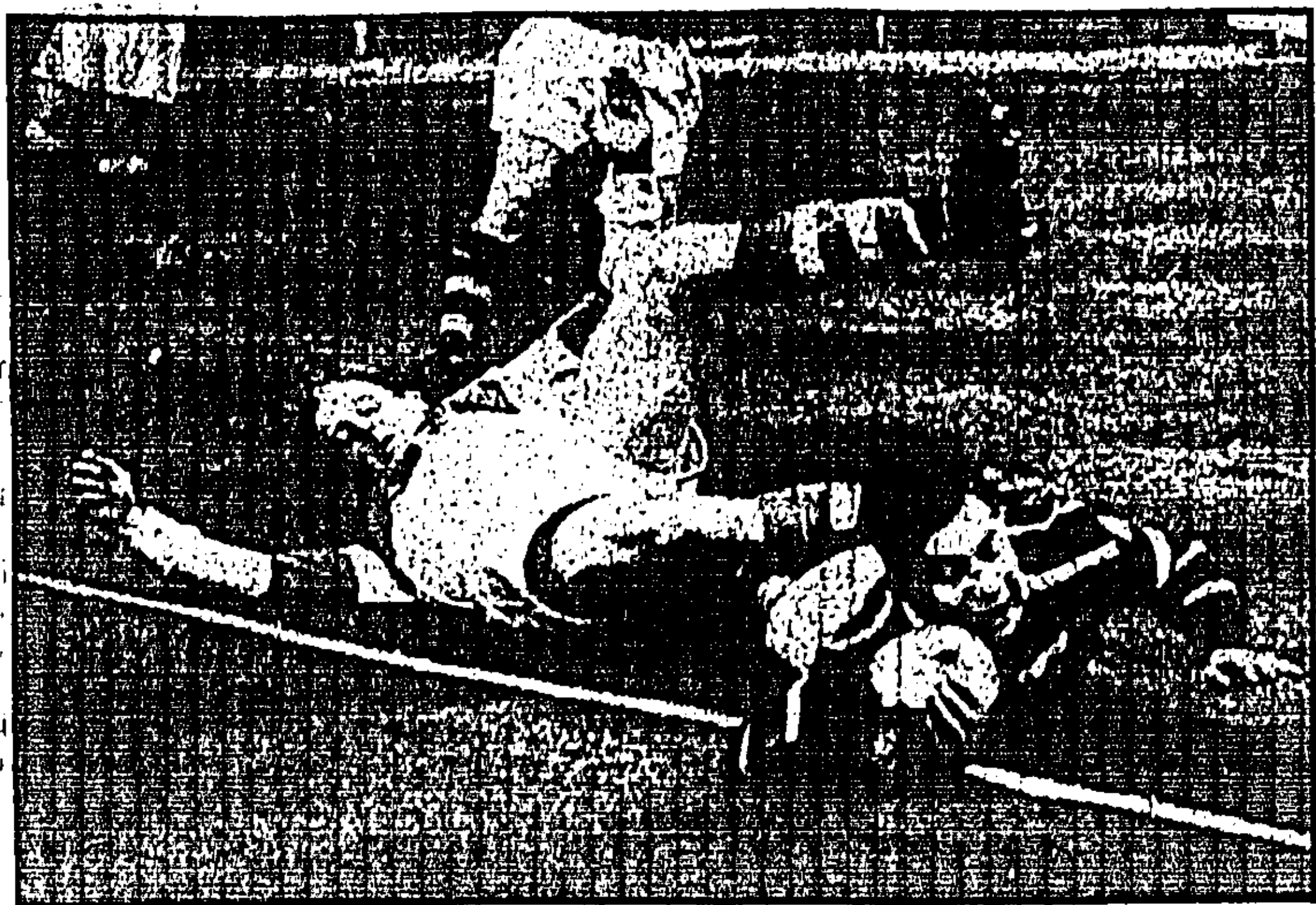
At Birmingham: Kent 128 and 78 for 4; Warwickshire 138 (Townsend not out 72, Ridgway 4 for 22).

At Worcester: Somerset 174 and 153 for 5 (Gymblett 87); Worcestershire 201 (Forbes 60, Woodcock 51, Dwyer 51).

THE GAMBOLS



RUGBY LEAGUE CUP FINAL THRILL



P. Ramsden, stand-off half-back, scores the first try for Huddersfield in the Rugby League Cup Final against St Helen's at Wembley Stadium, London, on April 25. Huddersfield won 15-10.

An Outright Appeal To All English Cricketers

By DENIS COMPTON

Before taking first ball in my third innings as a cricket columnist I want to make an outright appeal.

It is addressed to all English cricketers, critics, and crowds. Simply, it is to remember that our prospects of winning back the Ashes could be swayed either way by the amount of support given to those representing us at Trent Bridge, Lord's, Old Trafford, Headingley, and The Oval.

Such support should not be confined merely to the duration of the Tests. Rather should it begin now, and be continued throughout the coming weeks, both on and off the field.

Already the Australians have gained a psychological point by their customary battle-tactics. It is no exaggeration to say that when South Africa squared the rubber two-all by beating Australia in the Fifth Test at Melbourne, English hopes soared high.

AN UNDERESTIMATION
What has happened in the last fortnight? My impression is that so much praise has been showered on the Australians that many people are again looking on them as near-giants, and in doing so are underestimating the abilities of our own players.

Not unnaturally, the Australians are singing one another's praises. Whatever may be their private views, outwardly they stick to the loyal theme—this side will be one of our best.

Maybe the Australians will blend into a powerful team. What of it? There's no reason why England should not be even stronger. I firmly believe that the general standard of cricket here is better than at any time since I began playing and that, after the last years, the number of the exceptionally gifted is back to the vintage period.

DAVIS CUP RESULTS

Barcelona, May 4.
Spain completed a 5-0 success over Israel in the first round European zone tie of the Davis Cup here today when they won the two remaining singles, postponed from yesterday.

Marinez (Spain) beat Dubitzky 6-4, 6-1, 6-7, and Ferrer (Spain) beat Weiss 6-3, 6-0, 6-3 today.

Spain and Sweden will meet at Barcelona, probably on May 14, 16 and 17.—Reuter.

FINLAND LEAD

Helsinki, May 4.
Finland won the doubles to take a 2-1 lead against Ireland in their first round Davis Cup European Zone match here today, each having won a singles encounter previously.

In today's doubles, Sakri Solo and Pentti Forsman (Finland) won 7-5, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4, against G. P. Jackson and J. D. Hackett. The remaining singles will be played tomorrow.—Reuter.

IRC Tennis Teams

The following have been selected to represent the Irish in the Lawn Tennis League in the "C" and "D" Division respectively:—

Monday, May 11—"C" team at home v. SCAA: E. Kitchell, A. B. M. Bux, F. Rumbold, A. R. Sultad, M. Samy and S. M. Rumbold (Capt.). Reserves: O. A. Bux and Sultad.

Tuesday, May 12—"D" team away v. Urban Council R. C.: A. S. Rumbold, Ali Khan, Rahman Bux, Rahmat Omar, A. L. Chasumbhoy, S. F. S. Samy, Reserves: R. A. Bux (Capt.) and Adam Khan.

"D" team players will meet at the Star Ferry, H.K. side at 5.05 p.m.

MAJOR CHAPMAN TO LEAD COMBINED SERVICES AGAINST CIVILIANS

Major B. D. Chapman, the Colony Pentathlon Champion, will be captain of the Combined Services team against the Combined Civilians in the first annual athletic match at Kai Tak on Sunday.

He has also been selected to compete for the Combined Services in four events—the High Jump, Pole Vault, Long Jump and Javelin Throw. Captain da Costa, the RAF all-rounder, is in three events.

Gnr. Derek Coburn will double in the 880 Yards and One Mile, the Services Three Miles chore being left to the capable feet of Gnr. Cope of 25 Field Regiment, RA. There are few surprise selections in the team, the most interesting being that of Ho Hongkong Chinese Training Units Chow Jor for the Pole Vault.

Of the Army units, the Dorsetshire Regiment have the largest representation, nine members of their team being selected.

The team is: 100 Yards—L/Cpl. Crane (Dorsetshire Regt.), Gnr. Kirk (173 Loc. Bty.), F/Lt. R. J. B. Rosh (RAF), Reserve: 2/Lt. M. W. Wren (50 Fd. Eng.) and Capt. J. E. Mulvaney (HQLEF).

220 Yards—L/Cpl. Crane (Dorsetshire Regt.), Sgt. Dockree (Royal Norfolk Regt.), F/O. G. B. H. Norris (RAF), Reserve: F/O. Perdue (RAF).

440 Yards—2/Lt. Goodburn (25 Field RA), L/Cpl. Lockwood (Army/RAF Movements), Sgt. P. Martin (Wiltshire Regt.), Reserve: F/O. Perdue (RAF) and 2/Lt. Wells.

880 Yards—2/Lt. Goodburn (25 Field RA), 2/Lt. Wells (H.K. Slt. Regt.), Gnr. D. Coburn (45 Field RA), Reserve: Pte. Hunt (Dorsetshire Regt.).

One Mile—Gnr. D. Coburn (45 Field RA), LAC D. Hosking (RAF), Cpl. R. J. Dunn (RAF), Reserve: 2/Lt. Benson (Hoyal Ulster Rifles).

Three Miles—Gnr. Cope (25 Field RA), Rfmn. Sillit (Royal Ulster Rifles), Lt. Maughan (45 Field RA), Reserve: Cpl. Harding (Wiltshire Regt.).

High Hurdles—Capt. J. E. Mulvaney (HQLEF), Fus. Davey (Dorsetshire Regt.), 2/Lt. D. S. Fawcus (32 Medium RA), Reserve: 2/Lt. Paterson (170 Lt. Bty.).

Low Hurdles—2/Lt. D. S. Fawcus (32 Medium RA), 2/Lt. Paterson (170 Lt. Bty.), LAC O'Brien (RAF), Reserve: F/Lt. G. W. F. Charles (RAF).

High Jump—Lt. G. B. Blight (Dorsetshire Regt.), Gnr. George (25 Field RA), Major B. D. Chapman (Royal Norfolk Regt.), Reserve: Pte. Gordon (Dorsetshire Regt.).

Long Jump—2/Lt. M. W. Wren (50 Fd. Eng.), Capt. W. Cosia (RAF), Major B. D. Chapman (Royal Norfolk Regt.), Reserve: CQMS Hesling (RASC).

Hop, Step & Jump—Sign. A. Pendall (H. K. Signal Regt.), CQMS Hesling (RASC), Capt. da Costa (RAF), Reserve: Fus. Rousay (Dorsetshire Regt.).

Shot Put—Sgt. G. J. Harrison (Army/RAF Movements), L/Bdr. Bertram (72 Light A. A. Regt.), and LAC Gammon or F/Sgt. Mitchell (both RAF).

Discus Throw—L/Bdr. J. Pawlowski (27 HAA Regt.), Lt. J. B. Lambert (14 Field RA), LAC Davidson (RAF), Reserve: Cpl. Scott (Dorsetshire Regt.).

Javelin Throw—Sgt. C. H. Stoddart (Dorsetshire Regt.), Gnr. Ellis (25 Field RA), Major B. D. Chapman (Royal Norfolk Regt.), Reserve: Cpl. Trickett (RAF).

Hammer Throw—Sgt. J. P. Docherty (Welch Regt.), CQMS Hesling (RASC), Reserve: Pte. Caple (Dorsetshire Regt.), Reserve: Lt. Shaw (72 LAA Regt.).

One Mile Race Walk—Lt. Spooner (Royal Army Pay Corps).

CIVILIAN TEAM

The Combined Civilians team has been selected as follows: 100 Yards—Stephen Xavier, (HKAAC), Chang Yat-hung (SCAA), Eddie Loureiro (HKAAC), Reserve: Roy Spracer (HKAAC).

200 Yards—Stephen Xavier (HKAAC), Lee Wing-kee (SCAA), Reserve: Yau Tak-kee (SCAA).

Malaya University Teams Coming Here

A team of 38 players and one official, the University of Malaya Athletic Union will visit Hongkong in July for the biennial sports meet between the University of Malaya and the University of Hongkong.

The President of the Union, Mr. H. S. McCoy, said one new event, women's hockey, will be included in this year's competition. Other games to be contested include cricket, badminton, hockey and tennis.—United Press.

440 Yards—Lo Wing-chen (SCAA), Hung Chee-lee (SCAA), Lee Wing-kee (SCAA), Reserve: Cheung Chek-yin (SCAA).

800 Yards—Lee Shu-chung (SCAA), Leung Kam-po (SCAA), Cheung Chek-yin (SCAA), Leung Yiu-lam (SCAA).

One Mile—Frank Waller (HKAAC), Chan Kim-hung (SCAA), Leung Yiu-lam (SCAA).

Three Miles—Chan King-yin (SCAA), Fung Ping-kai (unattached), Lee Kam-hung (SCAA).

440 Yards Relay—Roy Spencer (HKAAC), Chang Yat-hung (SCAA), Eddie Loureiro (HKAAC), Stephen Xavier (HKAAC), Reserve: Yau Tak-kee (SCAA).

One Mile Relay—Leung Kam-po (SCAA), Lee Wing-kee (SCAA), Hung Chee-kee (SCAA), Lo Wing-chen (SCAA), Reserve: Frank Waller (HKAAC).

High Hurdles—Chang Yat-hung (SCAA), Victor Lai (HKAAC), Chan Wai-lam (SCAA).

Low Hurdles—A. F. Colloco (HKAAC), Ho Sai-hung (SCAA), Lee Sek-chen (SCAA).

High Jump—Victor Lai (HKAAC), George Thumb (HKAAC), Ling Su-ching (SCAA), Ng Chun-cho (HKAAC), O'Reilly Mayne (unattached).

Hop, Step & Jump—Shek Kam-lim (SCAA), George Thumb (HKAAC), George Saunders (HKAAC), Chang Wai-long (SCAA).

Long Jump—George Thumb (HKAAC), Shek Kam-lim (SCAA), Ng Chun-cho (HKAAC), O'Reilly Mayne (unattached).

Shot Put—Chan Wai-chuen (SCAA), R. Heltmeyer (HKAAC), Lau Kam-yiu (SCAA).

Javelin Throw—Chan Wai-chuen (SCAA), R. Heltmeyer (HKAAC), Lau Kam-yiu (SCAA), Lau Kam-yiu (HKAAC), Lau Kam-yiu (SCAA), Lau Kam-yiu (HKAAC), Marcus Souza (HKAAC).

One Mile Race Walk—G. S. Kennedy-Skipton (EYMCA).

LADIES' EVENTS
There will only be three ladies' events, with the following invited to compete: 200 Metres Run—Lam Kak-lan (SCAA), Deborah Hurlbutt (HKAAC), Lynn Ramsay (HKAAC), Rita Hall (HKAAC), Fok Wing-sheung (SCAA), Chan Chee-yuk (SCAA), Valerie Fernandez (St. Mary's School).

Long Jump—Rita Hall (HKAAC), Deborah Hurlbutt (HKAAC), Fok Wing-sheung (SCAA), Chan Chee-yuk (SCAA), Valerie Fernandez (St. Mary's School).

High Jump—Deborah Hurlbutt (HKAAC), Valerie Jillett (unattached), Chan Pui-ye (SCAA).

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Singapore Plans Soccer Festival
Singapore, May 3.
The Singapore Amateur Football Association is currently working on plans to hold an Asian international soccer festival, according to reports today.

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"FUKIEN"	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	5 p.m.	9th May
"FOOCHOW"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	8 a.m.	10th May
"PAKHOI"	Kobe, Yokohama, Nagoya & Osaka	10 a.m.	13th May
"HUNAN"	Nientsin	10 a.m.	14th May
"SIENKING"	Keelung	5 p.m.	16th May
"YUNNAN"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	8 a.m.	22nd May
"FENGTIEN"	Bangkok	10 a.m.	23rd May
"FOYANG"	Bangkok	10 a.m.	23rd May

ARRIVALS FROM

"SZECHUEN"	Kobe	3 p.m.	6th May
"FOOCHOW"	Indonesia & Balikpapan		
"FUKIEN"	Yokohama		8th May
"PAKHOI"	Kobe		8th May
"SIENKING"	Tientsin		10th May
"YUNNAN"	Bangkok		11th May
"FENGTIEN"	Keelung	7 a.m.	14th May
"FOYANG"	Shanghai		14th May
"FOYANG"	Kobe		20th May
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"PYRRHUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th June	
"TELEMACHUS"	Liverpool & Glasgow	14th June	

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Sails			
G. "AEOLUS"	Liverpool	6th May	Arrives Hong Kong
S. "AEOLUS"	do	15th May	8th May
G. "PYRRHUS"	do	15th May	15th May
S. "TELEMACHUS"	do	23rd May	23rd May
G. "CALCHAS"	do	23rd May	23rd May
S. "AUTOMEDON"	2nd May	13th May	7th June
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"BENMIOR"	Direct to Singapore, Hong Kong, Genoa, Liverpool, Glasgow and Antwerp. 26th May
"BENRINNES"	Direct to Singapore, Hong Kong, Genoa, Liverpool, Glasgow and Hull. 16th June
"BENATTOW"	Liverpool, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Hamburg. 21st June
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Flight Over

Forbidden

Territory

Stockholm, May 4.

The Swedish air traffic board

said today that it has asked the

British Ministry of Civil Avia

tion to investigate the flight of

a British charter aircraft over

forbidden territory in Sweden

while on its way from Helsinki

to Nice with 44 passengers.

The board said that instead

of following its flight plan and

taking the Stockholm route the

aircraft followed the east coast

and thus passed over forbidden

territory.

Its course was observed by

radar.

Fighter aircraft were sent up

to identify it.

"The incident is the more

surprising," the board added,

"because the aircraft reported

its position all the time as if it

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Transport Ministry Unbends

London, May 4.

Regulations to legalise alumi

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Farouk To Live In Britain?

London, May 4.

Ex-king Farouk has nearly

completed negotiations to buy

Fort Belvedere, abdication home

of the Duke of Windsor. The

price is believed to be about

£100,000. When the sale goes

through the Duke will have

parted with the only home he

has left in England.

The negotiations between the

ex-king's solicitors have been

going on since just before

Easter.

Fort Belvedere, at Virginia

Water, Surrey, borders on

Windsor Great Park. It was

there that the Duke, as King

Edward VIII, lived during the

last few momentous days of his

reign.

It was from Fort Belve

dere that he made his historic

broadcast, telling the world he

had renounced the throne.

For Farouk—H.R.H. Prince

Farouk Fuad, as he is officially

styled now—the move will end

the wandering life he has had

to lead since he went into exile

last July following his enforced

abdication by General Neguib.

PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR SON

Since his infant son became

King Ahmed Fuad II, 33-year-

old Farouk has made an endless

round of hotels along the Me

diterranean coast. But now he

intends to make Fort Belvedere

his permanent home.

One reason he is coming to

Britain is because he wants his

son to have an English public

school education.

Farouk himself went to the

Royal Military Academy, Wool

wich, for a while when he was

Britain's Position In World Disinflation Not As Bad As Feared

London, May 4.

There is no certainty that the U.S. economy is going to take a toss. If it does, it may take it at home and not for export. That is not what happened in 1949, when Britain and sterling were the worst sufferers from a minor setback in the U.S.

But it did happen in the 1950's, when Britain was sitting pretty on her terms of trade and yet sterling was not ruined: on the contrary, it got up to near \$5½.

Whatever they do to the overseas sterling area, falling commodity prices do benefit Britain, and it is at its centre that the sterling area most needs strengthening.

Indian Textile Industry

Bombay, May 4.

Almost two million dollars is needed to completely modernise India's textile industry in order to bring down production costs so that India can sell her textiles in the export market.

Mr C. D. Somani, Chairman of the Bombay Millowners Association, reported at the association's annual meeting that exports of India mill-made goods during 1952 had totalled only 542,000 yards against 732,000 yards in 1951 and almost 1,100,000 yards in 1950.

He said that the fall in world markets coupled with India's dependence on exports, showed the need for bringing down production costs to enable India to sell more goods and keep up production and employment.

Mr Somani at the same time reported that the Indian textile industry had produced a record total of 1,449,000,000 yards of cloth during 1952 as against 1,304,000,000 yards in 1951 and 1,304,000,000 yards of cloth.

He said that a mere declaration that India's export target of 1,000,000,000 yards would not get India an export market. He said the industry must work for it and earn it.

TWO MOVES
The situation called for two things: (1) Initiation of measures which would assure buyers that India will sell what they want and their grievances, if any, will be properly attended to; and (2) A systematic survey of every sizable overseas market.

Somani suggested that to help the textile industry recover its export trade, the central and state governments should stop any fresh taxation or social legislation directed at the industry.

He said that despite the industry's setback in 1952, the situation for the future did not justify a pessimistic outlook. Higher standards of efficiency in production and help from the government to understand the industry's difficulties would help to consolidate recovery of the industry.—United Press.

Grain Prices In Chicago

Chicago, May 4.

Prices of grain futures closed today as follows:

What's price per bushel	
Spot	2.18 nominal
July	2.18-2.17½
September	2.18
December	2.18
March	2.18
May	2.18
July	2.18½-2.18
September	2.18½-2.18
December	2.18½-2.18
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Rubber Prices In New York

New York, May 4.

No. 1 standard rubber futures closed 185 to 170 points higher. No. 2 standard contract closed 160 points higher with sales of four contracts.

Prices closed today as follows:	
NO. 1 STANDARD	
May	2.18
July	2.18
September	2.18
December	2.18
March	2.18
May	2.18
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September	2.18
December	2.18
March	2.18
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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

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SHIPPING 1420 14½ 1000 1/4 1.45

DOCKS, ETC. 77½

Electric 10.20 11.20

Wheelock 7.40

LAND, ETC. 7.00 7.20

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UTILITIES 21.00 22 7000 1/2 21.00

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Star Ferry 19 1/2

C. Light (O) 9.20 10

Electric 10.20 11.20

Telephone 17.00 18.20

INDUSTRIALS 15.10 15.00 15.10

HS 15.10

STOCKS, ETC. 18½ 18.00 18.00 18.20

Watson 21.00 1000 1/2 21.00

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Indifferent Activity

New York, May 4.

Rayon and acetate grey goods activity continued indifferent, reflecting a depressed price picture and general slackening of interest.

Somewhat more activity was noted within the past week in some rayon and acetate goods, presumably stemming from the fact that filament mills were fairly well sold up on nearby deliveries and taking a more confident tone on more distant business.

However, the recent price firmness was not considered enough to offset the generally depressed situation prevailing for some months.

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Taiwan Industry Increasing

Taipei, May 4.

Taiwan's industrial activities are increasing, it was reported by the Taiwan Power Company which estimated that the present power capacity has reached 320,000 kilowatts. However, the power station five-year reconstruction plan blueprint last winter will probably be reduced. The plan is to involve \$587,000,000 for construction and equipment, was primarily to be supported by MSA, which will, however, not be able to meet the entire cost.—France-Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$554,440. The market was generally quiet and the morning's transactions were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HS Bank 147 2 1/2 1979

INSURANCE 770

SHIPPING 1420 14½ 1000 1/4 1.45

DOCKS, ETC. 77½

Electric 10.20 11.20

Wheelock 7.40

LAND, ETC. 7.00 7.20

HS Land 1.40 5½

UTILITIES 21.00 22 7000 1/2 21.00

Peak Tram 30

Star Ferry 19 1/2

C. Light (O) 9.20 10

Electric 10.20 11.20

Telephone 17.00 18.20

INDUSTRIALS 15.10 15.00 15.10

HS 15.10

STOCKS, ETC. 18½ 18.00 18.00 18.20

Watson 21.00 1000 1/2 21.00

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

The Missing Wallet

TEN days before we saw him in the dock at Bow Street, Eddie's young wife died. He, at 24, was left alone with a daughter aged six.

There were relatives, fortunately, who rallied around and eased the burden of his loneliness and the task of caring for the child, and after the funeral, Eddie sewed a black patch on his sleeve, put on a black tie, and went back to his work as a painter for a building firm.

HARD LOSS

BUT he took his loss hard and seemed to enclose himself in a kind of shell of misery that no kind word or gesture was able to penetrate.

One morning, shortly after he returned to his job, Eddie stole a wallet containing £3 he found in an empty room in the house where he and his mates were working.

A moment later, the wallet's owner, a workmate, missed it. "Seen my wallet?" he asked Eddie.

Eddie said no. The wallet's owner checked his pockets; he hunted through the empty room, then he called the foreman, who called all the workmen together and asked them to go through their pockets.

THE SEARCH

"WE'D better have a proper search," said the foreman, when this had been done, and no wallet had been found. For a terrible moment Eddie thought the foreman was about to run through all the workmen's pockets.

But that was not his idea. "Get that light bulb down, someone," he said, "we'll fix it in the inspection lamp and have a good look round."

To reach the bulb, a ladder was needed. Eddie hastily volunteered to fetch it. He was a long time away, and when he came back with the steps, he no longer carried the wallet in his pocket.

The foreman and the loser found it some time later, under a pile of rubbish in the corner of the building where the ladder had been.

ARREST

THE police were called, and Eddie was arrested. "I never touched no wallet," he cried.

But when they asked him again at the police station, he said: "I picked it up by mistake with my two dollars. Then when the foreman said search through your pockets and I felt it there, I was too frightened to give it back in front of everyone."

Next morning, before Sir Laurence Dunn, the Chief Magistrate, Eddie pleaded not guilty to stealing the wallet, which had been recovered with its contents intact.

The story was told, and Eddie himself went into the witness-box and said: "They was all going on about what a dirty trick it was, so I got confused. I did mean to give it back afterwards."

Eddie's father went into the box, and said: "He's always been a good boy, and he's had a most grievous loss."

"I'm sorry," said Sir Laurence, looking at Eddie, "but I don't believe you picked up the wallet by mistake. I think you succumbed to the temptation to take it."

OFFER OF HELP

"I AGREE with the view expressed, that it was a dirty trick. I am taking into account your loss, and emotional upset, but this must never happen again."

"I'm going to put you on probation. The probation officer will be able to help you get another job. He can help you with your troubles. He may be able to straighten you out."

Eddie, a fair-haired man, who despite a small moustache looks not much more than a boy, crept from the dock, and his kind, understanding, and that had brought Eddie's tears very near.

'What's Her Line?' Solution

POLICEMAN

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The Queen To Have A Ten-Day Holiday

London, May 5. Queen Elizabeth, faced with a formidable programme of state affairs for the next two months, is to take ten days' holiday at Balmoral Castle before her coronation.

The Queen will fly from London airport on Saturday afternoon to Dyce aerodrome, near Aberdeen, and continue the journey to her Scottish home by car.

The Duke of Edinburgh will join her at Balmoral later, and the young couple will enjoy a few days of informal life away from official engagements.

Tromping the moorland country, wearing the kilt, being wakened by the sound of Scottish bagpipes, and smelling sweet scented summer flowers will provide the Queen with the tranquillity she needs for the programme awaiting her return.

The Queen will start her round of duties at the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association luncheon at Westminster Hall on May 27. Next day she will hold a garden party at the Buckingham Palace, and the following evening dance at the Coronation Ball held by the Household Cavalry at historic Hampton Court.

On June 1, she will hold a Commonwealth reception and lunch. The next day is the big day—the coronation. She will broadcast to the Commonwealth after the ceremony and procession.

A look at the rest of her engagements shows how busy a Queen can be.

June 3 brings her state drive through northeast London—she will cover the West side next day—a State banquet and a presentation of medals.

Every day brings an official job for the Queen. On June 7 she will present new colours to the Grenadier Guards. Next day she will attend a gala opera performance and drive through southeast London.

On June 9 she will be at a service at St. Paul's Cathedral and will drive through southwest London.

The next four days in the newly-erected Queen's life will include a visit to the borough of Windsor and Eton, the coronation naval review at Spithead, Eton College fireworks display and then three days of racing at Ascot.

On June 22 the Queen will start a three-day State visit to Scotland followed by States visits to Ireland and Wales, and on the 30th she will hold an investiture at Buckingham Palace—Reuters.

Reds Must Talk Business

Tokyo, May 5. Lt.-Gen. William K. Harrison, chief United Nations truce negotiator, met with the Communists at 11 a.m. today amid speculation that he might recess the Panmunjom truce talks if the Reds continue to "evade" a selection of the neutral custodian for war prisoners unwilling to go home.

The UN chief negotiator was obviously disappointed yesterday when North Korean Gen. Nam Il ignored the nomination of Pakistan by the United Nations.—United Press.

Volcano Shows Restlessness

Manila, May 4. The Philippines Government volcanologist announced last night that the Hibok Hibok volcano on Camiguin Island in the Southern Philippines had been showing signs of activity marked by weak earthquakes, surface rumblings, two land slides, and increased emission of smoke.

The volcanologist said "intensification of the volcano's activity is due to the fact that Hibok Hibok is still very much alive and going through a cycle of activity."—Reuters.

A NEW SPIRIT OF HOPE

Washington, May 4. President Eisenhower said today the Egyptian Government of General Mohammed Naguib had brought about a new spirit of hope throughout the Middle East. The President was replying to the remarks of the newly appointed Ambassador of Egypt, Dr. Ahmed Hussein, who presented his credentials today.—Reuters.

Hongkong-made Dolls Admired



Among the most admired exhibits on the Hongkong stand at the BIF this year are Miss Ada Lum's colourful Chinese dolls. Top picture shows a visitor from India admiring the dolls on display. Opposite are Mr P. C. M. Sedgwick, Director of Commerce and Industry and Chairman of the Hongkong BIF Committee, and Mr H. J. Collar, leader of the Colony's official delegation to the Fair. They were caught by the camera on the Hongkong stand at Earls Court.—London Express Photographs.



Important Eisenhower Conference

Washington, May 4. For the first time in the history of the United States the President held a foreign affairs conference today with 44 State and territorial Governors.

At the end of the first day of a two-day conference held behind closed doors in the utmost secrecy, it was announced that they had discussed "the overriding question of the peace and security of America."

Observers said it appeared that President Eisenhower gave his senior officials not only an uncensored view of the state of the world but also, in part at least, what the United States planned to do about it.

Listening to the first-hand report were the Governors of all the 48 States, except those from Florida, North Carolina, Alabama and Oklahoma—unable to attend because of illness or state business—and the Governors of Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

Mr James Hagerly, the President's Press Secretary, admitted under questioning that the Governors were not invited to Washington "for just a routine briefing."

The President's opening statement, released to reporters, referred to the Federal Government's responsibility for foreign affairs but added: "In times like ours, the danger to the country involves the civilian populations in the cities and towns and on the farms in our states."—Reuters.

DECIDE TO STRIKE

Paris, May 5. Merchant navy officers at Marseilles decided to come out on strike at midnight tonight to back their claim for a 44-hour week.

The decision, which will mean tying up the great Mediterranean port in the same way as officers at Le Havre have already disrupted Atlantic traffic, was the first indication that the conciliation commission meeting here this evening had failed.

The commission, including representatives of officers and shipowners, was under the chairmanship of M. Jules Ramarony, the Minister for the Merchant Navy.

Le Havre is already tied up, and Rouen and Nantes are partially affected. The French merchant navy officers struck last week at Le Havre for a 40-hour week.—Reuters.

DEBUTANTES PRESENTED

London, May 4. The Queen held her first presentation party of Coronation year in the white and gold ballroom at Buckingham Palace today.

More than 450 debutantes curtsied before her as she sat on a dais with the Duke of Edinburgh at her side.—Reuters.

CZECH AMNESTY MAY APPLY TO Wm OATIS

London, May 5. The amnesty announced in Czechoslovakia yesterday focuses attention on the case of William N. Oatis, American press agency correspondent, who was gaoled by a Communist court in Prague in July 1951, on the charge that he was a spy.

Magistrate Defers Judgment

Decision was reserved until the scene of the traffic accident has been visited when the case of alleged careless driving against Mrs Irene Penn of 195 The Penk concluded before Mr Thomas Tam at Central this morning.

Mrs Penn was alleged to have driven her car carelessly on the afternoon of February 6 on Mount Kellett Road. She was represented by Mr H. Caine. Sub-Inspector J. Boxall prosecuted.

Chu Yiu-chong, a chauffeur, said that while driving along Mount Kellett Road at about 4 p.m. on February 6, Mrs Penn's car, emerging from a side road, collided with his vehicle, causing damage to his left front mudguard. He added that the left headlamp of the defendant's car was smashed.

Under cross-examination, the witness admitted that he did not know that there was a crossroad, and that he did not slow down in time to avoid the accident. He also said that he was not familiar with the locality, never having been there previously. He stated that he had the right of way, being on the main road.

Judgment was deferred until Friday morning and the case will be brought back to the Magistrate, the Prosecution and the Defence. However, the findings at the conclusion of the hearing this morning was that Mrs Penn emerged from a side road, and that the accident occurred on the main road.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Mtg

At the annual meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., this morning, shareholders approved the payment of 10 per cent dividend free of tax. They also approved the carrying forward to the next account of \$107,395, and payment of the staff bonus of 15 percent of basic salaries.

The Hon. John Keswick was in the chair and proposed the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. This was seconded by Mr H. R. Cleland.

Proposed by Mr M. H. Lo and seconded by Mr J. W. Bennett, the following were re-elected to the Consulting Committee: — the Hon. Sir Man-kam Lo, Messrs H. D. Benham, D. Black, D. Clague, W. Paterson and W. A. Stewart.

Messrs D. S. Robb and S. S. Gordon were reappointed auditors on the proposal of Mr D. Hung, seconded by Mr G. M. Mills.

Taking Up University Post In September

Mr Edmund Charles Blunden, CBE, MC, MA, (Oxon), FRSL, Honorary Member of the Japan Academy, has accepted an appointment at Hongkong University and will be taking the Chair of English at the University in September this year.

Mr Blunden, who was Professor of English Literature at Tokyo University from 1924 to 1927 has recently relinquished his post on the Editorial Staff of the Times Literary Supplement.

He was awarded the Hawthorden Prize in 1922 and was Fellow and Tutor at Merton College, Oxford, 1931-1943.

POEM TO PRINCE

London, May 4. Prince Akihito of Japan received a welcome in verse tonight when he was guest of honour at a dinner given by the Japan Society in London.

It was specially composed by Mr Edmund Blunden, the 50-year-old English poet who was sent to Japan by the British Government in 1940 to interpret British culture to the Japanese.

An honorary member of the Japan Academy Mr Blunden greeted Prince Akihito with this verse:

"Prince, pilgrim, envoy dwell Among us happily as in your own Japan; you find those here who Their love, with few words, but Their love is known."

The six-verse welcome ended with this couplet: "May all occasions greet and bless Your sojourn here to see our young Crown crowned."

The Queen Prince spoke of the "great honour of attending as proxy to my father the forthcoming coronation of your gracious Queen."

He added: "I am eagerly looking forward to that glorious event."—Reuters.

Coronation Party

The Coronation Party to be held at Shek-O Country Club on Saturday, May 30, has now been fully booked and no further reservations can be made.

Alleged Intimidation

Four teenagers, two of whom juveniles, charged with criminal intimidation, were remanded for three days by Mr Thomas Tam at Central this morning.

They were alleged to have criminally intimidated by threatening to assault on two occasions, To Shu-wing and Leung Yung-king to cause them to do an act which they were not legally bound to do.

Two of the defendants, Chan Ho-fai, 19, unemployed, and Watt Yu-yung, alias Chai Hal-chai, 17, shoe shine boy, The two juveniles are students. Chan was allowed bail of \$3,000, Watt allowed bail of \$2,000 and the two students bail of \$1,000 each.

Det. Sub-Inspector K. S. Van prosecuted.

HAD EXPIRED LICENCE

Summoned for failing to renew his licence, Chan Kau, 53-year-old master of a motor boat was fined \$20 by Mr T. B. Low at Marine Court this morning.

The Prosecution told the court that on April 16, defendant was intercepted off the Yau-mat Typhoon Shelter when carrying a passenger from Jordan Road wharf to a steamer. The Police discovered that the licence for defendant's boat had expired on April 6.

Radio Hongkong

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